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HOW TO FOLLOW THE SERVICES IN THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

MORNING PRAYER

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2. Then find the Psalms of the morning of the day of the month. The Psalms are contained on pages 399 to 594.
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4. After the Second Lesson, turn to the Benedictus, page 12, or to the Jubilate Deo, page 13, and follow to the end of Morning Prayer.

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AND

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AND OTHER RITES AND CEREMONIES OF THE CHURCH
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IN THE DOMINION OF CANADA

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THE PREFACE

TO THE CANADIAN REVISION OF 1918

THE Book of Common Prayer is a priceless possession of our Church. By its intrinsic merits, as a book designed for the reverent and seemly worship of Almighty God, as well as by its historic associations, it has endeared itself to generation after generation of devout Christians throughout the world. None would desire or advocate any change therein which would impair or lessen this deep-seated affection.

But through the lapse of some three hundred years many changes have taken place in the life of the Church and in its outlook upon the world. The present life and larger outlook of the Church are seeking more adequate expression than the Book of Common Prayer has hitherto afforded, and seem to require judicious adaptation and enrichment of the Book in order that it may more fully meet the needs of the Church in this age and in this Dominion.

Therefore the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada determined to make such adaptations and enrichments in the body of the Book as would serve this purpose. But to avoid the risk of changes that might impair the character of the Book, the General Synod clearly ordained the limits within which such adaptation and enrichment might be made, forbidding any change in text or rubric which would involve or imply a change of doctrine or principle of the Church of England as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer, or any other change not in accordance with the 27th Resolution of the Lambeth Conference of 1908.

The chief results of the present Revision will be found to be: the adaptation of rubrics to customs generally accepted at the present time; the provision of directions for the combined use of the different Services; the adaptation and enrichment of the Occasional Offices; the supplying of Forms for Additional Services in use throughout the Church though not provided for in the Book of Common Prayer heretofore; the addition of many new Prayers for Special Occasions; the revision of the Calendar, the Lectionary, and the Psalter.

This present book, the fruit of much prayer and toil, is set forth in the firm belief that, by the alterations and additions herein made, it will both provide greater variety in Public Worship and better meet the needs of the Church in this land: and in good hope that, thus adapted and enriched, it may prove more generally serviceable to both Clergy and people in the worship of God throughout this Dominion.

THE PREFACE

PREFIXED AT THE REVISION OF 1662

IT hath been the wisdom of the Church of England, ever since the first compiling of her Publick Liturgy, to keep the mean between the two extremes, of too much stiffness in refusing, and of too much easiness in admitting any variation from it. For, as on the one side common experience sheweth, that where a change hath been made of things advisedly established (no evident necessity so requiring) sundry inconveniences have thereupon ensued; and those many times more and greater than the evils, that were intended to be remedied by such change: So on the other side, the particular Forms of Divine worship, and the Rites and Ceremonies appointed to be used therein, being things in their own nature indifferent, and alterable, and so acknowledged; it is but reasonable, that upon weighty and important considerations, according to the various exigency of times and occasions, such changes and alterations should be made therein, as to those that are in place of Authority should from time to time seem either necessary or expedient. Accordingly we find, that in the Reigns of several Princes of blessed memory since the Reformation, the Church, upon just and weighty considerations her thereunto moving, hath yielded to make such alterations in some particulars, as in their respective times were thought convenient: Yet so, as that the main Body and Essentials of it (as well in the chiefest materials, as in the frame and order thereof) have still continued the same unto this day, and do yet stand firm and unshaken, notwithstanding all the vain attempts and impetuous assaults made against it, by such men as are given to change, and have always discovered a greater regard to their own private fancies and interests, than to that duty they owe to the publick.

By what undue means, and for what mischievous purposes the use of the Liturgy (though enjoined by the Laws of the Land, and

those Laws never yet repealed) came, during the late unhappy confusions, to be discontinued, is too well known to the world, and we are not willing here to remember. But when, upon His Majesty's happy Restoration, it seemed probable, that, amongst other things, the use of the Liturgy also would return of course (the same having never been legally abolished) unless some timely means were used to prevent it; those men who under the late usurped powers had made it a great part of their business to render the people disaffected thereunto, saw themselves in point of reputation and interest concerned (unless they would freely acknowledge themselves to have erred, which such men are very hardly brought to do) with their utmost endeavours to hinder the restitution thereof. In order whereunto divers Pamphlets were published against the Book of Common Prayer, the old Objections mustered up, with the addition of some new ones, more than formerly had been made, to make the number swell. In fine, great importunities were used to His Sacred Majesty, that the said Book might be revised, and such Alterations therein, and Additions thereunto made, as should be thought requisite for the ease of tender Consciences: whereunto His Majesty, out of his pious inclination to give satisfaction (so far as could be reasonably expected) to all his subjects of what persuasion soever, did graciously condescend.

In which review we have endeavoured to observe the like moderation, as we find to have been used in the like case in former times. And therefore of the sundry Alterations proposed unto us, we have rejected all such as were either of dangerous consequence (as secretly striking at some established Doctrine, or laudable Practice of the Church of England, or indeed of the whole Catholick Church of Christ) or else of no consequence at all, but utterly frivolous and vain. But such Alterations as were tendered to us (by what persons, under what pretences, or to what purpose soever so tendered) as seemed to us in any degree requisite or expedient, we have willingly, and of our own accord assented unto: not enforced so to do by any strength of Argument, convincing us of the necessity of making the said Alterations: For we are fully persuaded in our judgements (and we here profess it to the world) that the Book, as it stood before established by Law, doth not contain in it any thing contrary to the Word of God, or to sound Doctrine, or which a godly man may not with a good Conscience use and submit unto, or which is not fairly defensible against any that shall oppose the same; if it shall be allowed such just and favourable construction as in common Equity ought to be allowed to all human Writings, especially such as are set forth by Authority, and even to the very best translations of the holy Scripture itself.

Our general aim therefore in this undertaking was, not to gratify this or that party in any their unreasonable demands; but to do that, which to our best understandings we conceived might most tend to the preservation of Peace and Unity in the Church; the procuring of Reverence, and exciting of Piety and Devotion in the Publick Worship of God; and the cutting off occasion from them that seek occasion of cavil or quarrel against the Liturgy of the Church. And as to the several variations from the former Book, whether by Alteration, Addition, or otherwise, it shall suffice to give this general account, That most of the Alterations were made, either first, for the better direction of them that are to officiate in any part of Divine Service; which is chiefly done in the Calendars and Rubricks: Or secondly, for the more proper expressing of some words or phrases of ancient usage in terms more suitable to the language of the present times, and the clearer explanation of some other words and phrases, that were either of doubtful signification, or otherwise liable to misconstruction: Or thirdly, for a more perfect rendering of such portions of holy Scripture, as are inserted into the Liturgy; which, in the Epistles and Gospels especially, and in sundry other places, are now ordered to be read according to the last Translation: and that it was thought convenient, that some Prayers and Thanksgivings, fitted to special occasions, should be added in their due places; particularly for those at Sea, together with an office for the Baptism of such as are of Riper Years: which, although not so necessary when the former Book was compiled, yet by the growth of Anabaptism, through the licentiousness of the late times crept in amongst us, is now become necessary, and may be always useful for the baptizing of Natives in our Plantations, and others converted to the Faith. If any man, who shall desire a more particular account of the several Alterations in any part of the Liturgy, shall take the pains to compare the present Book with the former; we doubt not but the reason of the change may easily appear.

And having thus endeavoured to discharge our duties in this weighty affair, as in the sight of God, and to approve our sincerity therein (so far as lay in us) to the consciences of all men; although we know it impossible (in such variety of apprehensions, humours and interests, as are in the world) to please all; nor can expect that men of factious, peevish, and perverse spirits should be satisfied with any thing that can be done in this kind by any other than themselves: Yet we have good hope, that what is here presented, and hath been by the Convocations of both Provinces with great diligence examined and approved, will be also well accepted and approved by all sober, peaceable, and truly conscientious Sons of the Church of England.

THE ORIGINAL PREFACE (1549)
ALTERED IN 1552 AND 1662
CONCERNING THE SERVICE OF THE CHURCH

THERE was never any thing by the wit of man so well devised, or so sure established, which in continuance of time hath not been corrupted: As, among other things, it may plainly appear by the Common Prayers in the Church, commonly called *Divine Service.* The first original and ground whereof if a man would search out by the ancient Fathers, he shall find, that the same was not ordained but of a good purpose, and for a great advancement of godliness. For they so ordered the matter, that all the whole Bible (or the greatest part thereof) should be read over once every year; intending thereby, that the Clergy, and especially such as were Ministers in the congregation, should (by often reading, and meditation in God's word) be stirred up to godliness themselves, and be more able to exhort others by wholesome doctrine, and to confute them that were adversaries to the truth; and further, that the people (by daily hearing of holy Scripture read in the Church) might continually profit more and more in the knowledge of God, and be the more inflamed with the love of his true Religion.

But these many years passed, this godly and decent order of the ancient Fathers hath been so altered, broken, and neglected, by planting in uncertain Stories, and Legends, with multitude of Responds, Verses, vain Repetitions, Commemorations, and Synodals; that commonly when any Book of the Bible was begun, after three or four Chapters were read out, all the rest were unread. And in this sort the Book of Isaiah was begun in *Advent*, and the Book of Genesis in *Septuagesima;* but they were only begun, and never read through: After like sort were other Books of holy Scripture used. And moreover, whereas St Paul would have such language spoken to the people in the Church, as they might understand, and have profit by hearing the same; The Service in this Church of England these many years hath been read in Latin to the people, which they understand not; so that they have heard with their ears only, and their heart, spirit, and mind, have not been edified thereby. And furthermore, notwithstanding that the ancient Fathers have divided the Psalms into seven Portions, whereof every one was called a *Nocturn:* Now of late time a few of them have been daily said, and the rest utterly omitted. Moreover, the number and

hardness of the Rules called the *Pie*, and the manifold changings of the Service, was the cause, that to turn the Book only was so hard and intricate a matter, that many times there was more business to find out what should be read, than to read it when it was found out.

These inconveniences therefore considered, here is set forth such an Order, whereby the same shall be redressed. And for a readiness in this matter, here is drawn out a Calendar for that purpose, which is plain and easy to be understood; wherein (so much as may be) the reading of holy Scripture is so set forth, that all things shall be done in order, without breaking one piece from another. For this cause be cut off Anthems, Responds, Invitatories, and such like things as did break the continual course of the reading of the Scripture.

Yet, because there is no remedy, but that of necessity there must be some Rules; therefore certain Rules are here set forth; which, as they are few in number, so they are plain and easy to be understood. So that here you have an Order for Prayer, and for the reading of the holy Scripture, much agreeable to the mind and purpose of the old Fathers, and a great deal more profitable and commodious, than that which of late was used. It is more profitable, because here are left out many things, whereof some are untrue, some uncertain, some vain and superstitious; and nothing is ordained to be read, but the very pure Word of God, the holy Scriptures, or that which is agreeable to the same; and that in such a Language and Order as is most easy and plain for the understanding both of the Readers and Hearers. It is also more commodious, both for the shortness thereof, and for the plainness of the Order, and for that the Rules be few and easy.

And whereas heretofore there hath been great diversity in saying and singing in Churches within this Realm; some following Salisbury Use, some Hereford Use, and some the Use of Bangor, some of York, some of Lincoln; now from henceforth all the whole Realm shall have but one Use.

And forasmuch as nothing can be so plainly set forth, but doubts may arise in the use and practice of the same; to appease all such diversity (if any arise) and for the resolution of all doubts, concerning the manner how to understand, do, and execute, the things contained in this Book; the parties that so doubt, or diversely take any thing, shall alway resort to the Bishop of the Diocese, who by his discretion shall take order for the quieting and appeasing of the same; so that the same order be not contrary to any thing contained in this Book. And if the Bishop of the Diocese be in doubt, then he may send for the resolution thereof to the Archbishop.

THOUGH it be appointed, That all things shall be read and sung in the Church in the English Tongue, to the end that the Congregation may be thereby edified; yet it is not meant, but that when men say Morning and Evening Prayer privately, they may say the same in any language that they themselves do understand.

And all Priests and Deacons are to say daily the Morning and Evening Prayer either privately or openly, not being let by sickness, or some other urgent cause.

And the Curate that ministereth in every Parish-Church or Chapel, being at home, and not being otherwise reasonably hindered, shall say the same in the Parish-Church or Chapel where he ministereth, and shall cause a Bell to be tolled thereunto a convenient time before he begin, that the people may come to hear God's Word, and to pray with him.

OF CEREMONIES

WHY SOME BE ABOLISHED AND SOME RETAINED

(1549)

OF such Ceremonies as be used in the Church, and have had their beginning by the institution of man, some at the first were of godly intent and purpose devised, and yet at length turned to vanity and superstition: some entered into the Church by undiscreet devotion, and such a zeal as was without knowledge; and for because they were winked at in the beginning, they grew daily to more and more abuses, which not only for their unprofitableness, but also because they have much blinded the people, and obscured the glory of God, are worthy to be cut away, and clean rejected: other there be, which although they have been devised by man, yet it is thought good to reserve them still, as well for a decent order in the Church, (for the which they were first devised) as because they pertain to edification, whereunto all things done in the Church (as the Apostle teacheth) ought to be referred.

And although the keeping or omitting of a Ceremony, in itself considered, is but a small thing; yet the wilful and contemptuous transgression and breaking of a common order and discipline is no small offence before God, *Let all things be done among you*, saith Saint Paul, *in a seemly and due order:* The appointment of the which order pertaineth not to private men; therefore no man ought to take in hand, nor presume to appoint or alter any publick or common Order in Christ's Church, except he be lawfully called and authorized thereunto.

And whereas in this our time, the minds of men are so diverse, that some think it a great matter of conscience to depart from a piece of the least of their Ceremonies, they be so addicted to their old customs; and again on the other side, some be so new-fangled, that they would innovate all things, and so despise the old, that nothing can like them, but that is new: it was thought expedient, not so much to have respect how to please and satisfy either of these parties, as how to please God, and profit them both. And yet lest any man should be offended, whom good reason might satisfy, here be certain causes rendered, why some of the accustomed Ceremonies be put away, and some retained and kept still.

Some are put away, because the great excess and multitude of them hath so increased in these latter days, that the burden of them was intolerable; whereof Saint Augustine in his time complained, that they were grown to such a number, that the estate of Christian people was in worse case concerning that matter, than were the Jews. And he counselled that such yoke and burden should be taken away, as time would serve quietly to do it. But what would Saint Augustine have said, if he had seen the Ceremonies of late days used among us; whereunto the multitude used in his time was not to be compared? This our excessive multitude of Ceremonies was so great, and many of them so dark, that they did more confound and darken, than declare and set forth Christ's benefits unto us. And besides this, Christ's Gospel is not a Ceremonial Law, (as much of Moses' Law was,) but it is a Religion to serve God, not in bondage of the figure or shadow, but in the freedom of the Spirit; being content only with those Ceremonies which do serve to a decent Order and godly Discipline, and such as be apt to stir up the dull mind of man to the remembrance of his duty to God, by some notable and special signification, whereby he might be edified. Furthermore, the most weighty cause of the abolishment of certain Ceremonies was, That they were so far abused, partly by the superstitious blindness of the rude and unlearned, and partly by the unsatiable avarice of such as sought more their own lucre, than the glory of God, that the abuses could not well be taken away, the thing remaining still.

But now as concerning those persons, which peradventure will be offended, for that some of the old Ceremonies are retained still: If they consider that without some Ceremonies it is not possible to keep any Order, or quiet Discipline in the Church, they shall easily perceive just cause to reform their judgements. And if they think much, that any of the old do remain, and would rather have all devised anew: then such men granting some Ceremonies convenient to be had, surely where the old may be well used, there they cannot

reasonably reprove the old only for their age, without bewraying of their own folly. For in such a case they ought rather to have reverence unto them for their antiquity, if they will declare themselves to be more studious of unity and concord, than of innovations and new-fangleness, which (as much as may be with the true setting forth of Christ's Religion) is always to be eschewed. Furthermore, such shall have no just cause with the Ceremonies reserved to be offended. For as those be taken away which were most abused, and did burden men's consciences without any cause; so the other that remain, are retained for a discipline and order, which (upon just causes) may be altered and changed, and therefore are not to be esteemed equal with God's Law. And moreover, they be neither dark nor dumb Ceremonies, but are so set forth, that every man may understand what they do mean, and to what use they do serve. So that it is not like that they in time to come should be abused as other have been. And in these our doings we condemn no other Nations, nor prescribe any thing but to our own people only: For we think it convenient that every Country should use such Ceremonies as they shall think best to the setting forth of God's honour and glory, and to the reducing of the people to a most perfect and godly living, without error or superstition; and that they should put away other things, which from time to time they perceive to be most abused, as in men's ordinances it often chanceth diversely in divers countries.

THE ORDER HOW THE PSALTER IS APPOINTED TO BE READ

THE Psalter shall be read through once every Month, as it is there appointed, both for Morning and Evening Prayer. But in *February* it shall be read only to the twenty-eighth, or twenty-ninth day of the Month.

And, whereas *January*, *March*, *May*, *July*, *August*, *October*, and *December* have one-and-thirty days apiece; It is ordered, that the same Psalms shall be read the last day of the said Months, which were read the day before: So that the Psalter may begin again the first day of the next Month ensuing. Nevertheless, on the thirty-first day of the Month, any of the Selections of Psalms, to be found before the Psalter in this Book, may be used instead of the Psalms appointed for the thirtieth day; and also, on other days, any of the Selections may be used for sufficient cause, with the approval of

the Ordinary, save only on those days for which Proper Psalms are appointed.

And, whereas the 119th Psalm is divided into twenty-two portions, and is over-long to be read at one time; It is so ordered, that at one time shall not be read above four or five of the said portions.

And at the end of every Psalm, and of every such part of the 119th Psalm, shall be repeated this Hymn,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

NOTE, That the Psalter followeth the Division of the Hebrews, and the Translation of the great English Bible, set forth and used in the time of King Henry the Eighth, and Edward the Sixth.

THE ORDER HOW THE REST OF HOLY SCRIPTURE IS APPOINTED TO BE READ

I. THE Old Testament is appointed for the First Lessons at Morning and Evening Prayer, so as the most part thereof will be read every year once. The New Testament is appointed for the Second Lessons at Morning and Evening Prayer, so as the most part will be read every year twice.

II. The Table of Lessons is arranged according to the weeks of the Ecclesiastical Year, from Advent to Trinity, instead of according to the Calendar months as heretofore.

III. The Lessons appointed for Sundays and weekdays will be found in THE TABLE OF LESSONS (pages xviii—xlvii), arranged under the weeks of the Church Year. Alternative Second Lessons are provided, for Morning and Evening Services, for all Sundays in the year, except for the Mornings of Palm Sunday, Easter Day, Whitsunday, and the Sunday next before Advent. Except on Whitsunday, at least one Lesson from the Gospels should be read on every Sunday.

IV. In the first part of the year, the Sunday Second Lessons are, so far as possible, congruous with the special season. For the Sundays after Trinity, the Lessons selected are generally consecutive.

In the Lessons appointed for weekdays, the First Lessons harmonize with the order appointed for Sundays. In a few cases, important historical passages from the Prophets take their chronological place among Lessons from historical books. When a Second Lesson from the Gospels is read at Mattins, a Lesson from the Acts, Epistles, or the Book of Revelation is read at Evensong; and *vice versa*. On weekdays between Trinity Sunday and the eleventh Sunday after Trinity, the Lessons from St Matthew, St Mark, and St Luke are so chosen that, so far as possible, what is peculiar to one Gospel is read in its place, and what is common to more than one of these Gospels is read once only. The Epistles of St Paul are placed in the order which is commonly believed to be approximately chronological. The most part of the Book of Revelation is read during the week immediately preceding Advent, and, as alternative Lessons, on the Sunday evenings in Advent.

V. For Holy-days, the appointed Lessons will be found in the Table of LESSONS PROPER FOR HOLY-DAYS (pages xlviii—xlix). In that Table, alternative Evening Lessons are inserted, which may be read at Evensong on the Eve of the Holy-day, if desired. But, since the Saint's day Lessons interrupt the daily course, the Minister may, at his discretion, read the corresponding daily Lesson set down in the weekly course.

VI. Lessons appointed for Ember and Rogation Days will be found in the Table of LESSONS PROPER FOR SPECIAL DAYS (page l).

VII. Lessons proper for Special Occasions will be found in the Table of LESSONS PROPER FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS (page li).

VIII. On occasions approved by the Ordinary, other Lessons may be substituted for those appointed.

IX. If any of the Holy-days for which Proper Lessons are appointed in the Table fall upon a Sunday, which is the First Sunday in Advent, Easter Day, Whitsunday, or Trinity Sunday, the Lessons appointed for such Sunday shall be read; but if it fall upon any other Sunday, the Lessons appointed either for the Sunday or for the Holy-day may be read at the discretion of the Minister.

X. Note also, That the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel appointed for the Sunday shall serve all the week after, when it is not in this Book otherwise ordered.

¶ *It is convenient that, when alternative Lessons are provided, On every Sunday on which a Lesson from the Gospels is provided both*

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Advent Sunday	Isaiah 1, 1-20	John 3, 1-21, *or* 1 Thes. 4, 13—5, 11
M.	Isaiah 3, 1-15	Mark 1, 1-20
Tu.	Isaiah 5, 1-17	Mark 1, 21-end
W.	Isaiah 6	Mark 2, 1-22
Th.	Isaiah 9, 8—10, 4	Mark 2, 23—3, 12
F.	Isaiah 10, 24—11, 9	Mark 3, 13-end
S.	Isaiah 13, 1—14, 2	Mark 4, 1-20
Second Sunday in Advent	Isaiah 5	John 5, 19-40, *or* 2 Peter 3, 1-14
M.	Isaiah 17	Mark 4, 21-end
Tu.	Isaiah 19, 1-17	Mark 5, 1-20
W.	Isaiah 21, 1-12	Mark 5, 21-end
Th.	Isaiah 24	Mark 6, 1-13
F.	Isaiah 28, 14-end	Mark 6, 14-29
S.	Isaiah 29, 15-end	Mark 6, 30-end
Third Sunday in Advent	Isaiah 25, 1-9	Luke 3, 1-17, *or* 1 Timothy 1, 12—2, 7
M.	Isaiah 30, 19-end	Mark 7, 1-23
Tu.	Isaiah 38, 1-20	Mark 7, 24—8, 10
Ember Day W.	Isaiah 40, 12-end	Mark 8, 11—9, 1
Th.	Isaiah 42, 1-17	Mark 9, 2-32
Ember Day F.	Isaiah 43, 14—44, 5	Mark 9, 33-end
Ember Day S.	Isaiah 44, 24—45, 13	Mark 10, 1-31
Fourth Sunday in Advent	Isaiah 32, 1-18	Luke 1, 26-45, *or* 2 Timothy 3, 14—4, 8
M.	Isaiah 46	Mark 10, 32-end
Tu.	Isaiah 48	Mark 11, 1-26
W.	Isaiah 51, 1-16	Mark 11, 27—12, 12
Th.	Isaiah 52, 13—53 end	Mark 12, 13-34
F.	Isaiah 56, 1-8	Mark 12, 35—13, 13
S.	Isaiah 59	Mark 13, 14-end

choice be exercised according to some scheme of consecutive reading, for Mattins and for Evensong, one of such Lessons shall always be read.

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Isaiah 2, *or* Isaiah 1, 18-end	Matthew 24, 1-28, *or* Revelation 14, 13—15, 4	*Advent Sunday*
Isaiah 4, 2-end	James 1	M.
Isaiah 5, 18-end	James 2, 1-13	Tu.
Isaiah 8, 16—9, 7	James 2, 14-end	W.
Isaiah 10, 5-23	James 3	Th.
Isaiah 11, 10—12 end	James 4	F.
Isaiah 14, 3-27	James 5	S.
Isaiah 10, 33—11, 9, *or* Isaiah 11, 10—12 end	Matthew 24, 29-end, *or* Revelation 20	*Second Sunday in Advent*
Isaiah 18	1 Peter 1, 1-21	M.
Isaiah 19, 18-end	1 Peter 1, 22—2, 10	Tu.
Isaiah 22, 1-14	1 Peter 2, 11—3, 7	W.
Isaiah 28, 1-13	1 Peter 3, 8—4, 6	Th.
Isaiah 29, 1-14	1 Peter 4, 7-end	F.
Isaiah 30, 1-18	1 Peter 5	S.
Isaiah 26, *or* Isaiah 28, 1-22	Matthew 25, 1-30, *or* Revelation 21	*Third Sunday in Advent*
Isaiah 31	1 John 1, 1—2, 6	M.
Isaiah 40, 1-11	1 John 2, 7-end	Tu.
Isaiah 41	1 John 3, 1-12	W. Ember Day
Isaiah 42, 18—43, 13	1 John 3, 13—4, 6	Th.
Isaiah 44, 6-23	1 John 4, 7-end	F. Ember Day
Isaiah 45, 14-end	1 John 5	S. Ember Day
Isaiah 33, 2-22, *or* Isaiah 35	Matthew 25, 31-end, *or* Revelation 22	*Fourth Sunday in Advent,*
Isaiah 47	2 *or* 3 John	M.
Isaiah 50, 4-10	2 Peter 1	Tu.
Isaiah 51, 17—52, 12	2 Peter 2	W.
Isaiah 54	2 Peter 3	Th.
Isaiah 57, 15-end	Jude	F.
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	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Christmas Eve	—	—
Christmas Day	Isaiah 9, 2-7	Luke 2, 1-20
St Stephen	2 Chronicles 24, 17-22	Acts 6
St John Evangelist	Exodus 33, 9-19	John 13, 21-35
Innocents' Day	Jeremiah 31, 1-17	Matthew 18, 1-10
Sunday after Christmas Day	Isaiah 40, 1-11	Luke 2, 22-40, *or* Colossians 1, 1-20
December 29	Isaiah 55	Luke 12, 1-21
December 30	Isaiah 60, 13-end	Luke 12, 22-34
December 31	Isaiah 62	Luke 12, 35-48
Circumcision	Genesis 17, 1-13	Romans 2, 17-end
**Second Sunday after Christmas*	Isaiah 42, 1-16	Matthew 6, 19-end, *or* Ephesians 1
January 2	Isaiah 63, 1-6	Matthew 1, 18-end
January 3	Isaiah 64	Matthew 2
January 4	Isaiah 65, 17-end	Matthew 3, 1—4, 11
January 5	Isaiah 66, 10-end	Matthew 4, 12—5, 16
Epiphany	Isaiah 60	Luke 3, 15-22
Week-days before First Sunday after Epiphany — M.	Hosea 2, 14-end	Matthew 5, 17-end
Tu.	Hosea 5, 8—6, 6	Matthew 6, 1-18
W.	Hosea 9	Matthew 6, 19-end
Th.	Hosea 11	Matthew 7
F.	Hosea 13, 1-14	Matthew 8, 1-17
S.	Joel 1	Matthew 8, 18-end

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EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Zechariah 2, 10-end Isaiah 7, 10-14	Titus 2, 11—3, 7 1 John 4, 7-end	*Christmas Eve* *Christmas Day*
Wisdom 4, 7-14 Isaiah 6, 1-8 Isaiah 49, 14-25	Acts 7, 54—8, 4 1 John 5, 1-12 Mark 10, 13-16	*St Stephen* *St John Evangelist* *Innocents' Day*
Isaiah 40, 12-end, *or* Isaiah 41, 1-20	John 10, 1-16, *or* Philippians 2, 1-11	*Sunday after Christmas Day*
Isaiah 60, 1-12 Isaiah 61 Deut. 10, 12—11, 1	Colossians 2, 6-17 Colossians 3, 1-17 Luke 21, 25-36	*December* 29 *December* 30 *December* 31
Deuteronomy 30	Romans 13	*Circumcision*
Isaiah 43, 1-13, *or* Isaiah 43, 14—44, 5	Matthew 7, 13-27, *or* 1 John 3	**Second Sunday after Christmas*
Isaiah 63, 7-end Isaiah 65, 1-16 Isaiah 66, 1-9 Isaiah 49, 1-13	1 Thessalonians 1 1 Thessalonians 2, 1-16 1 Thes. 2, 17—3 end Romans 15, 8-21	*January* 2 *January* 3 *January* 4 *January* 5
Isaiah 61	John 2, 1-11	*Epiphany*
Hosea 4, 1-11 Hosea 6 Hosea 10 Hosea 12 Hosea 14 Joel 2, 1-14	1 Thessalonians 4, 1-12 1 Thes. 4, 13—5, 11 1 Thes. 5, 12-end 2 Thessalonians 1 2 Thessalonians 2 2 Thessalonians 3	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S. } Week-days before First Sunday after Epiphany

will be read only when January 2, 3, 4, or 5 is a Sunday, and in the last Morning Lessons only.

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	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
First Sunday after Epiphany	Isaiah 44, 6-end	John 1, 19-34, *or* Ephesians 2
M.	Joel 2, 15-end	Matthew 9, 1-17
Tu.	Amos 1	Matthew 9, 18-34
W.	Amos 3	Matthew 9, 35—10, 23
Th.	Amos 5	Matthew 10, 24-end
F.	Amos 7	Matthew 11
S.	Amos 9	Matthew 12, 1-21
Second Sunday after Epiphany	Isaiah 49, 1-13	Luke 4, 16-30, *or* James 1
M.	Jonah 1 and 2	Matthew 12, 22-end
Tu.	Micah 1	Matthew 13, 1-23
W.	Micah 3	Matthew 13, 24-43
Th.	Micah 5, 2-end	Matthew 13, 44-end
F.	Micah 7	Matthew 14
S.	Nahum 2	Matthew 15, 1-28
Third Sunday after Epiphany	Hosea 11, 1—12, 6	John 2, *or* James 2
M.	Habakkuk 1	1 Corinthians 7, 1-24
Tu.	Habakkuk 3, 2-end	1 Corinthians 9
W.	Zephaniah 2	1 Corinthians 11, 17-end
Th.	Zechariah 11	1 Cor. 12, 27—13 end
F.	Malachi 1	1 Corinthians 14, 20-end
S.	Malachi 2, 17—3, 12	1 Corinthians 15, 35-end
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany	Amos 3	John 3, 22-end, *or* James 3
M.	Jeremiah 1	2 Corinthians 1, 1—2, 11
Tu.	Jeremiah 4, 1-18	2 Corinthians 4
W.	Jeremiah 5, 20-end	2 Corinthians 5, 20—7, 1
Th.	Jeremiah 7, 1-28	2 Corinthians 8
F.	Jeremiah 9, 1-24	2 Corinthians 10
S.	Jeremiah 14	2 Corinthians 12, 1-13

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Isaiah 45, *or* Isaiah 48	John 4, 1-42, *or* Colossians 1, 20—2, 7	*First Sunday after Epiphany*
Joel 3 Amos 2 Amos 4 Amos 6 Amos 8 Obadiah	Galatians 1 Galatians 2 Galatians 3 Galatians 4, 1—5, 1 Galatians 5, 2-end Galatians 6	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Isaiah 49, 14-end, *or* Isaiah 50, 4-10	John 12, 20-end, *or* 1 Thes. 1, 1—2, 12	*Second Sunday after Epiphany*
Jonah 3 and 4 Micah 2 Micah 4, 1—5, 1 Micah 6 Nahum 1 Nahum 3	1 Corinthians 1, 1-25 1 Corinthians 1, 26—2 end 1 Corinthians 3 1 Corinthians 4, 1-17 1 Corinthians 4, 18-5 end 1 Corinthians 6	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Hosea 14, *or* Joel 2, 15-end	John 6, 22-40, *or* Galatians 1	*Third Sunday after Epiphany*
Habakkuk 2 Zephaniah 1 Zephaniah 3 Zechariah 13 Malachi 2, 1-16 Malachi 3, 13—4 end	1 Corinthians 8 1 Corinthians 10, 1—11, 1 1 Corinthians 12, 1-27 1 Corinthians 14, 1-19 1 Corinthians 15, 1-34 1 Corinthians 16	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Amos 4, 4-end, *or* Amos 5, 1-24	John 6, 41-end, *or* 1 Corinthians 1, 1-25	*Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*
Jeremiah 2, 1-13 Jeremiah 5, 1-19 Jeremiah 6, 1-21 Jeremiah 8 Jeremiah 10 Jeremiah 15	2 Corinthians 2, 12-3 end 2 Corinthians 5 2 Corinthians 7, 2-end 2 Corinthians 9 2 Corinthians 11 2 Cor. 12, 14—13 end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

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	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany	Amos 7	John 4, 43-end, *or* James 4
M.	Jeremiah 17, 1-18	Acts 15, 1-29
Tu.	Jeremiah 18, 1-17	Acts 16, 6-end
W.	Jeremiah 23, 9-32	Acts 17, 16-end
Th.	Jeremiah 31, 1-20	Acts 18, 24—19, 7
F.	Jeremiah 33, 1-13	Acts 19, 21-end
S.	Ezekiel 1	Acts 20, 17-end
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany	Micah 2	John 6, 1-21, *or* James 5
M.	Ezekiel 12, 17-end	Acts 21, 17-36
Tu.	Ezekiel 17	Acts 22, 23—23, 11
W.	Ezekiel 24, 15-end	Acts 24, 1-23
Th.	Ezekiel 31	Acts 25, 13-end
F.	Ezekiel 36, 22-end	Acts 27, 1-26
S.	Ezekiel 43, 1-9	Acts 28, 1-15
Septuagesima	Gen. 1, 1—2, 3	John 1, 1-18, *or* Revelation 21, 1-14
M.	Genesis 3	Matthew 15, 29—16, 12
Tu.	Genesis 6, 5-end	Matthew 16, 13-end
W.	Genesis 8, 1-14	Matthew 17, 1-23
Th.	Genesis 11, 1-9	Matthew 17, 24—18, 14
F.	Genesis 13	Matthew 18, 15-end
S.	Genesis 15	Matthew 19, 1-15
Sexagesima	Genesis 3	Mark 9, 33-end, *or* 1 Corinthians 6
M.	Genesis 17, 1-22	Matthew 19, 16—20, 16
Tu.	Genesis 19, 1-3, 12-29	Matthew 20, 17-end
W.	Genesis 22, 1-19	Matthew 21, 1-22
Th.	Genesis 24, 1-28	Matthew 21, 23-end
F.	Genesis 25, 7-11, 19-end	Matthew 22, 1-33
S.	Genesis 27, 1-40	Matthew 22, 34—23, 12

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Amos 8, *or* Amos 9	John 7, 14-36, *or* 1 Corinthians 1, 26—2 end	*Fifth Sunday after Epiphany*
Jeremiah 17, 19-end Jeremiah 20 Jeremiah 30, 1-22 Jeremiah 31, 23-end Jeremiah 33, 14-end Ezekiel 11, 1-13	Acts 15, 30—16, 5 Acts 17, 1-15 Acts 18, 1-23 Acts 19, 8-20 Acts 20, 1-16 Acts 21, 1-16	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Micah 3, *or* Micah 5, 2-end	John 7, 37—8, 11, *or* 1 Corinthians 3	*Sixth Sunday after Epiphany*
Ezekiel 15 Ezekiel 20, 27-44 Ezekiel 27 Ezekiel 33, 1-20 Ezekiel 37, 15-end Ezekiel 47, 1-12	Acts 21, 37—22, 22 Acts 23, 12-end Acts 24, 24—25, 12 Acts 26 Acts 27, 27-end Acts 28, 16-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Genesis 2, 4-end, *or* Jeremiah 10, 1-16	Mark 10, 1-16, *or* Revelation 21, 15—22, 5	*Septuagesima*
Genesis 4, 1-16 Genesis 7 Genesis 8, 15—9, 17 Genesis 11, 27—12, 10 Genesis 14 Genesis 16	Romans 1 Romans 2 Romans 3 Romans 4 Romans 5 Romans 6	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Genesis 6, 5-end, *or* Genesis 8, 15—9, 17	Luke 17, 20-end, *or* 1 Corinthians 10, 1-24	*Sexagesima*
Genesis 18 Genesis 21 Genesis 23 Genesis 24, 29-end Genesis 26, 1-5, 12-end Genesis 27, 41—28 end	Romans 7 Romans 8, 1-17 Romans 8, 18-end Romans 9 Romans 10 Romans 11	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

		MORNING PRAYER	
		FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Quinquagesima		Genesis 12, 1-8, *or* Genesis 14, 14-end	Matthew 5, 1-16, *or* 1 Corinthians 12, 4-end
	M.	Genesis 29, 1-20	Matthew 23, 13-end
	Tu.	Genesis 31, 22—32, 2	Matthew 24, 1-28
Ash Wednesday		Isaiah 58	Mark 2, 13-22
	Th.	Genesis 33	Matthew 24, 29-end
	F.	Genesis 37	Matthew 25, 1-30
	S.	Genesis 41, 1-40	Matthew 25, 31-end
First Sunday in Lent		Genesis 18, *or* Genesis 17, 1-9	Matthew 3, *or* Hebrews 6
	M.	Genesis 42	Matthew 26, 1-30
	Tu.	Genesis 44	Matthew 26, 31-57
Ember Day	W.	Genesis 45, 16—46, 7	Matthew 26, 57-end
	Th.	Genesis 47, 13-end	Matthew 27, 1-26
Ember Day	F.	Genesis 49, 1-32	Matthew 27, 27-56
Ember Day	S.	Exodus 1, 1-14, 22—2, 10	Matthew 27, 57—28 end
Second Sunday in Lent		Genesis 27, 1-40, *or* Proverbs 15, 20-end	Matthew 9, 1-17, *or* Hebrews 9, 11-end
	M.	Exodus 2, 23—3 end	John 1, 1-28
	Tu.	Exodus 4, 27—6, 1	John 1, 29-end
	W.	Exodus 7, 8-end	John 2
	Th.	Exodus 8, 20—9, 12	John 3, 1-21
	F.	Exodus 10, 1-20	John 3, 22-end
	S.	Exodus 12, 1-20	John 4, 1-26
Third Sunday in Lent		Genesis 37, *or* Genesis 40	Matthew 18, 1-14, *or* Hebrews 10, 19-end
	M.	Exodus 12, 37-end	John 4, 27-end
	Tu.	Exodus 13, 17—14, 14	John 5, 1-23
	W.	Exodus 15, 1-26	John 5, 24-end
	Th.	Exodus 17	John 6, 1-21
	F.	Exodus 19	John 6, 22-40
	S.	Exodus 22, 20—23, 17	John 6, 41-end

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Genesis 13, *or* Genesis 15, 1-18	Luke 10, 25-37, *or* 2 Corinthians 1, 1-22	*Quinquagesima*
Genesis 31, 1-9, 14-21 Genesis 32, 3-30 Jonah 3 Genesis 35, 1-20 Genesis 40 Genesis 41, 41-end	Romans 12 Romans 13 Hebrews 3, 12—4, 13 Romans 14 Romans 15 Romans 16	M. Tu. *Ash Wednesday* Th. F. S.
Genesis 21, 1-21, *or* Genesis 22, 1-19	Mark 14, 1-26, *or* 2 Corinthians 4	*First Sunday in Lent*
Genesis 43 Genesis 45, 1-15 Genesis 46, 26—47, 12 Genesis 48 Genesis 49, 33—50 end Exodus 2, 11-22	Philippians 1 Philippians 2 Philippians 3 Philippians 4 Colossians 1, 1-20 Colossians 1, 21—2, 7	M. Tu. W. Ember Day Th. F. Ember Day S. Ember Day
Genesis 28, 10-end, *or* Genesis 32, 3-30	Mark 14, 27-52, *or* 2 Corinthians 5	*Second Sunday in Lent*
Exodus 4, 1-23 Exodus 6, 2-13, 28—7, 7 Exodus 8, 1-19 Exodus 9, 13-end Exodus 10, 21—11 end Exodus 12, 21-36	Colossians 2, 8—3, 11 Colossians 3, 12—4, 1 Colossians 4, 2-end Philemon Ephesians 1 Ephesians 2	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Genesis 39, *or* Genesis 42	Mark 14, 53-end, *or* 2 Corinthians 5, 20—7, 1	*Third Sunday in Lent*
Exodus 13, 1-16 Exodus 14, 15-end Exodus 15, 27—16, 35 Exodus 18 Exodus 20, 1-21 Exodus 23, 18-end	Ephesians 3 Ephesians 4, 1-16 Ephesians 4, 17-30 Ephesians 4, 31—5, 21 Ephesians 5, 22—6, 9 Ephesians 6, 10-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Fourth Sunday in Lent	Genesis 43, *or* Genesis 41, 14-40	Luke 15, *or* Hebrews 12
M.	Exodus 24	John 7, 1-24
Tu.	Exodus 28, 1-4, 29-41	John 7, 25-end
W.	Exodus 32	John 8, 1-30
Th.	Exodus 34	John 8, 31-end
F.	Exodus 40, 17-end	John 9
S.	Leviticus 19, 1-18, 30-end	John 10, 1-21
Fifth Sunday in Lent	Exodus 2, 23—3 end	Matthew 20, 17-28, *or* Hebrews 13, 1-21
M.	Numbers 6	John 10, 22-end
Tu.	Numbers 11, 10-33	John 11, 1-44
W.	Numbers 13, 1-3, 17-end	John 11, 45-end
Th.	Numbers 16, 1-35	John 12, 1-19
F.	Numbers 20	John 12, 20-end
S.	Numbers 22, 36—23, 26	John 13
Palm Sunday	Exodus 6, 2-13	Matthew 26
M.	Lamentations 1, 1-12	John 14, 1-14
Tu.	Isaiah 42, 1-9	John 15, 1-16
W.	Numbers 21, 4-9	John 16, 1-15
Th.	Exodus 24, 1-11	John 17
Good Friday	Genesis 22, 1-18	John 18
Easter Eve	Zechariah 9, 9-12	Luke 23, 50-end
Easter Day	Exodus 12, 1-14	Revelation 1, 4-18
M.	Exodus 15, 1-18	Luke 24, 1-12
Tu.	Isaiah 25, 1-9	Matthew 28, 1-10
W.	Isaiah 61	John 21, 1-14
Th.	1 Kings 17, 8-end	Mark 5, 21-end
F.	2 Kings 4, 8-37	Luke 7, 11-17
S.	Jeremiah 31, 1-14	John 11, 17-44

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FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Genesis 44, 1—45, 8, *or* Genesis 45, 16—46, 7	Mark 15, 1-21, *or* 2 Corinthians 9	*Fourth Sunday in Lent*
Exodus 25, 1-22 Exodus 29, 38—30, 16 Exodus 33 Exodus 35, 20—36, 7 Leviticus 6, 8-end Leviticus 25, 1-24	1 Timothy 1, 1-17 1 Timothy 1, 18—2 end 1 Timothy 3 1 Timothy 4 1 Timothy 5 1 Timothy 6	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Exodus 4, 1-23, *or* Exodus 4, 27—6, 1	Mark 15, 22-end, *or* 2 Corinthians 11, 16—12, 10	*Fifth Sunday in Lent*
Numbers 9, 15-end, and 10, 29-end Numbers 12 Numbers 14, 1-25 Numbers 16, 36—17 end Numbers 22, 1-35 Numbers 23, 27—24 end	Titus 1, 1—2, 8 Titus 2, 9—3 end 2 Timothy 1 2 Timothy 2 2 Timothy 3 2 Timothy 4	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Exodus 10, 21—11 end, *or* Isaiah 59, 12-end	Luke 19, 29-end, *or* John 12, 1-19	*Palm Sunday*
Lamentations 3, 1-42 Wisdom 2, 1, 12-end Leviticus 16, 2-24 Exodus 16, 2-15 Isaiah 52, 13—53 end Job 19, 21-27	John 14, 15-end John 15, 17-end John 16, 16-end John 13, 1-35 John 19, 31-end, *or* 1 Peter 2, 11-end John 2, 13-22	M. Tu. W. Th. *Good Friday* *Easter Eve*
Isaiah 51, 1-16, *or* Exodus 14	John 20, 11-23, *or* Romans 6, 1-13	*Easter Day*
Isaiah 12 Isaiah 26, 1-19 Canticles 2, 10-end Daniel 12 Zephaniah 3, 14-end Micah 7, 7-end	1 Peter 1, 1-12 1 Peter 1, 13-end Revelation 7, 9-end 1 Thessalonians 4, 13-end Acts 17, 16-31 Acts 26, 1-23	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
First Sunday after Easter	Isaiah 52, 1-12	Luke 24, 13-35, *or* 1 Corinthians 15, 1-28
M.	Deuteronomy 1, 3-18	Acts 1, 1-14
Tu.	Deuteronomy 2, 1-25	Acts 2, 1-21
W.	Deuteronomy 3, 18-end	Acts 3, 1—4, 4
Th.	Deuteronomy 4, 25-40	Acts 4, 32—5, 11
F.	Deuteronomy 5, 22-end	Acts 6, 8—7, 16
S.	Deuteronomy 7, 1-11	Acts 7, 35—8, 4
Second Sunday after Easter	Exodus 16, 2-15, *or* Isaiah 55	John 5, 19-29, *or* 1 Corinthians 15, 35-end
M.	Deuteronomy 8	Acts 8, 26-end
Tu.	Deuteronomy 9, 11-end	Acts 9, 32-end
W.	Deuteronomy 11, 1-12	Acts 10, 24-end
Th.	Deuteronomy 12, 1-14	Acts 11, 19-end
F.	Deuteronomy 16, 1-20	Acts 12, 25—13, 12
S.	Deuteronomy 18, 9-end	Acts 13, 44—14, 7
Third Sunday after Easter	Numbers 22, 1-35, *or* Isaiah 57, 15-end	Mark 5, 21-end, *or* Acts 2, 22-end
M.	Deuteronomy 21, 22-22, 8	Acts 15, 1-21
Tu.	Deuteronomy 26	Acts 15, 36—16, 5
W.	Deuteronomy 29, 10-end	Acts 17, 1-15
Th.	Deuteronomy 31, 1-13	Acts 18, 1-23
F.	Deut. 31, 30—32, 14	Acts 19, 8-20
S.	Deuteronomy 33	Acts 20, 1-16
Fourth Sunday after Easter	Deuteronomy 4, 1-24, *or* Isaiah 60	Luke 16, 19-end, *or* Acts 3
M.	Joshua 1	Acts 21, 1-16
Tu.	Joshua 3	Acts 21, 37—22, 22
W.	Joshua 5, 13—6, 20	Acts 23, 12-end
Th.	Joshua 9, 3-end	Acts 24, 24—25, 12
F.	Joshua 21, 43—22, 8	Acts 26
S.	Joshua 23	Acts 28, 1-15

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FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Isaiah 54, *or* Ezekiel 37, 1-14	John 20, 24-end, *or* Revelation 5	*First Sunday after Easter*
Deuteronomy 1, 19-end Deuteronomy 2, 26—3, 5 Deuteronomy 4, 1-24 Deuteronomy 5, 1-21 Deuteronomy 6 Deuteronomy 7, 12-end	Acts 1, 15-end Acts 2, 22-end Acts 4, 5-31 Acts 5, 12—6, 7 Acts 7, 17-34 Acts 8, 4-25	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Exodus 32, *or* Exodus 33, 7-end, *or* Isaiah 56, 1-8	John 21, *or* Philippians 3, 7-end	*Second Sunday after Easter*
Deuteronomy 9, 1-10 Deuteronomy 10 Deuteronomy 11, 13-end Deuteronomy 15, 1-18 Deuteronomy 17, 8-end Deuteronomy 19	Acts 9, 1-31 Acts 10, 1-23 Acts 11, 1-18 Acts 12, 1-24 Acts 13, 13-43 Acts 14, 8-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Num. 22, 36—23, 26, *or* Num. 23, 27—24 end, *or* Isaiah 59	John 11, 1-44, *or* Revelation 2, 1-17	*Third Sunday after Easter*
Deuteronomy 24, 5-end Deuteronomy 28, 58-end Deuteronomy 30 Deuteronomy 31, 14-29 Deuteronomy 32, 15-47 Deut. 32, 48-end, and 34	Acts 15, 22-35 Acts 16, 6-end Acts 17, 16-end Acts 18, 24—19, 7 Acts 19, 21-end Acts 20, 17-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Deuteronomy 4, 25-40, *or* Deuteronomy 5, *or* Isaiah 61	Luke 7, 1-35, *or* Revelation 2, 18—3, 6	*Fourth Sunday after Easter*
Joshua 2 Joshua 4, 1—5, 1 Joshua 7 Joshua 10, 1-15 Joshua 22, 9-end Joshua 24, 1-28	Acts 21, 17-36 Acts 22, 23—23, 11 Acts 24, 1-23 Acts 25, 13-end Acts 27 Acts 28, 16-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

		MORNING PRAYER	
		FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Fifth Sunday after Easter		Deuteronomy 6, *or* Isaiah 62	Luke 20, 27—21, 4, *or* Acts 4, 1-33
Rogation Days	M.	Deuteronomy 7, 6-13	Matthew 6, 5-18
	Tu.	Deuteronomy 28, 1-14	Luke 5, 1-11
Ascension Day	W.	Joel 2, 21-27	John 6, 22-40
		2 Kings 2, 1-15	Ephesians 4, 1-16
	F.	Judges 2, 6-end	Hebrews 2
	S.	Judges 5	Hebrews 4, 1-13
Sunday after Ascension		Deuteronomy 26, *or* Isaiah 64	John 14, 1-14, *or* Ephesians 1, 3-end
	M.	Judges 6, 25-end	Hebrews 5, 11—6 end
	Tu.	Judges 8, 32—9, 24	Hebrews 8
	W.	Judges 11, 29—12, 7	Hebrews 9, 15-end
	Th.	Judges 14	Hebrews 10, 19-end
	F.	Ruth 1	Hebrews 12, 1-18
	S.	Ruth 4, 1-17	Hebrews 13
Whit-Sunday		Joel 2, 28-end	Romans 8, 1-17
	M.	Ezekiel 11, 14-20	Acts 2, 12-36
	Tu.	Ezekiel 37, 1-14	1 Corinthians 12, 1-13
Ember Day	W.	1 Kings 19, 1-18	1 Corinthians 2
	Th.	2 Samuel 23, 1-5	Ephesians 6, 10-20
Ember Day	F.	Numbers 11, 16-17, 24-29	2 Corinthians 5, 14—6 10
Ember Day	S.	Numbers 27, 15-end	Matthew 9, 35—10, 20
Trinity Sunday		Isaiah 6, 1-8	Mark 1, 1-11, *or* 1 Peter 1, 1-12
	M.	1 Samuel 1	James 1
	Tu.	1 Samuel 2, 22-end	James 2, 1-13
	W.	1 Samuel 4	James 2, 14-end
	Th.	1 Samuel 8	James 3
	F.	1 Samuel 9, 26—10, 16	James 4
	S.	1 Samuel 11	James 5

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Deuteronomy 8, *or* Deut. 10, 12—11, 1, *or* Isaiah 63, 7-end	John 6, 47-69, *or* Revelation 3, 7-end	*Fifth Sunday after Easter*
Deuteronomy 11, 8-21 1 Kings 8, 22-43 Song of 3 Children 29-37 Daniel 7, 9-10, 13-14 Judges 4 Judges 6, 1-24	Matthew 6, 19-end James 5, 1-15 Luke 24, 36-end Hebrews 1 Hebrews 3 Hebrews 4, 14—5, 10	M. Tu. } *Rogation Days* W. *Ascension Day* F. S.
Deuteronomy 30, *or* Deuteronomy 34, *or* Isaiah 65, 17-end	John 16, 5-end, *or* Acts 1, 1-14	*Sunday after Ascension*
Judges 7 Judges 10, 17—11, 28 Judges 13 Judges 16, 4-end Ruth 2 Deuteronomy 16, 9-12	Hebrews 7 Hebrews 9, 1-14 Hebrews 10, 1-18 Hebrews 11 Hebrews 12, 14-end Luke 11, 1-13	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Isaiah 11, 1-9, *or* Ezekiel 36, 22-36	Romans 8, 18-end, *or* Galatians 5, 13-end	*Whit-Sunday*
Wisdom 1, 1-7 Wisdom 7, 15—8, 1 Wisdom 9 Exodus 35, 30—36, 1 Jeremiah 31, 31-34 Isaiah 61	Acts 2, 37-end 1 Cor. 12, 27—13 end 1 Corinthians 3 Acts 18, 24—19, 7 2 Corinthians 3 Acts 20, 17-35	M. Tu. W. Ember Day Th. F. Ember Day S. Ember Day
Exodus 34, 1-10, *or* Numbers 6, 22-end, *or* Isaiah 40, 12-end	Matthew 28, 16-end, *or* Ephesians 3	*Trinity Sunday*
1 Samuel 2, 1-21 1 Samuel 3 1 Samuel 7 1 Samuel 9, 1-25 1 Samuel 10, 17-end 1 Samuel 12	Luke 1, 1-23 Luke 1, 24-56 Luke 1, 57-end Matthew 1, 18-end Luke 2, 1-39 Matthew 2	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
First Sunday after Trinity	Joshua 1, *or* Job 1	Mark 2, 1-22, *or* Romans 1
M.	1 Samuel 13	1 Peter 1, 1-21
Tu.	1 Samuel 14, 24-48	1 Peter 1, 22—2, 10
W.	1 Samuel 16	1 Peter 2, 11—3, 7
Th.	1 Samuel 17, 31-54	1 Peter 3, 8—4, 6
F.	1 Samuel 19	1 Peter 4, 7-end
S.	1 Samuel 20, 18-end	1 Peter 5
Second Sunday after Trinity	Judges 4 *or* 5, *or* Job 3	Mark 2, 23—3, 19, *or* Romans 5
M.	1 Samuel 22, 6-end	2 Peter 1
Tu.	1 Samuel 24	2 Peter 2
W.	1 Samuel 26	2 Peter 3
Th.	1 Samuel 31	Jude
F.	2 Samuel 2, 1—3, 1	1 John 1, 1—2, 6
S.	2 Samuel 5, 1-12, 17-end	1 John 2, 7-end
Third Sunday after Trinity	1 Samuel 1, *or* Job 19	Mark 4, 1-29, *or* Romans 6
M.	2 Samuel 7	1 John 3, 1-12
Tu.	2 Samuel 11	1 John 3, 13—4, 6
W.	2 Samuel 13, 38—14, 24	1 John 4, 7-end
Th.	2 Samuel 15, 13-end	1 John 5
F.	2 Samuel 17, 1-23	2 John
S.	2 Samuel 18, 19-end	3 John
Fourth Sunday after Trinity	1 Samuel 12, *or* Job 29	Mark 6, 1-32, *or* Romans 12
M.	2 Samuel 19, 24-end	1 Thessalonians 1
Tu.	2 Samuel 24	1 Thessalonians 2, 1-16
W.	1 Kings 1, 32-end	1 Thes. 2, 17—3 end
Th.	1 Chronicles 28, 1-10	1 Thessalonians 4, 1-12
F.	1 Chronicles 29, 10-end	1 Thes. 4, 13—5, 11
S.	1 Kings 4, 21-end	1 Thes. 5, 12-end

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Joshua 5, 13—6, 20, *or* Joshua 24, *or* Job 2	Matthew 1, 18-end, *or* Acts 8, 26-end	*First Sunday after Trinity*
1 Samuel 14, 1-23	Luke 2, 40-end	M.
1 Samuel 15	Luke 3, 1-22	Tu.
1 Samuel 17, 1-30	Luke 4, 1-30	W.
1 Samuel 17, 55—18, 16	Luke 5, 1-11	Th.
1 Samuel 20, 1-17	Mark 1, 21-39	F.
1 Samuel 21, 1—22, 5	Mark 1, 40—2, 12	S.
Judges 6, 33—7, 23, *or* Ruth 1, *or* Job 5, 6-end	Matthew 2, *or* Acts 9, 1-31	*Second Sunday after Trinity*
1 Samuel 23	Luke 5, 27-end	M.
1 Samuel 25, 2-42	Luke 6, 1-19	Tu.
1 Samuel 28, 3-end	Matthew 5, 1-16	W.
2 Samuel 1	Matthew 5, 17-end	Th.
2 Samuel 3, 17-end	Matthew 6, 1-23	F.
2 Samuel 6	Matthew 7	S.
1 Samuel 2, 1-21, *or* 1 Samuel 3, *or* Job 28	Matthew 4, 23—5, 16, *or* Acts 10	*Third Sunday after Trinity*
2 Samuel 9	Luke 7, 1-17	M.
2 Samuel 12, 1-23	Matthew 11, 2-end	Tu.
2 Samuel 14, 25—15, 12	Luke 7, 36—8, 3	W.
2 Samuel 16, 1-19	Matthew 12, 22-end	Th.
2 Samuel 17, 24—18, 18	Matthew 13, 1-23	F.
2 Samuel 19, 1-23	Matthew 13, 24-43	S.
1 Samuel 15, 1-31, *or* 1 Samuel 16, *or* Job 38	Matthew 5, 17-end, *or* Acts 13, 1-26	*Fourth Sunday after Trinity*
2 Samuel 23, 1-17	Matthew 13, 44-end	M.
1 Kings 1, 5-31	Mark 4, 35—5, 20	Tu.
1 Chronicles 22, 2-end	Mark 5, 21-end	W.
1 Chronicles 28, 20-29, 9	Matthew 9, 27—10, 23	Th.
1 Kings 3	Matthew 10, 24-end	F.
1 Kings 5	Mark 6, 7-44	S.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Fifth Sunday after Trinity	1 Samuel 17, 1-54, *or* 1 Samuel 18, 1-16	Mark 6, 53—7, 23, *or* Romans 13
M.	1 Kings 6, 1-14	2 Thessalonians 1
Tu.	1 Kings 8, 22-53	2 Thessalonians 2
W.	1 Kings 10	2 Thessalonians 3
Th.	1 Kings 11, 26-end	Galatians 1
F.	1 Kings 12, 25—13, 10	Galatians 2
S.	1 Kings 14, 1-20	Galatians 3
Sixth Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 1, *or* 1 Samuel 31	Mark 7, 24—8, 10, *or* Romans 14, 1—15, 7
M.	2 Chronicles 13	Galatians 4, 1—5, 1
Tu.	2 Chronicles 15	Galatians 5, 2-end
W.	1 Kings 16, 15-end	Galatians 6
Th.	1 Kings 18, 1-16	1 Corinthians 1, 1-25
F.	1 Kings 19	1 Cor. 1, 26—2 end
S.	1 Kings 22, 1-40	1 Corinthians 3
Seventh Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 18, *or* 2 Samuel 19, 1-15	Mark 9, 2-32, *or* Philippians 1
M.	2 Kings 1	1 Corinthians 4, 1-17
Tu.	2 Kings 4, 1-37	1 Cor. 4, 18—5 end
W.	2 Kings 6, 1-23	1 Corinthians 6
Th.	2 Kings 7, 3-end	1 Corinthians 7, 1-24
F.	2 Kings 9	1 Corinthians 8
S.	2 Kings 11, 21—12 end	1 Corinthians 9
Eighth Sunday after Trinity	1 Kings 10, 1-13, *or* 1 Kings 11, 26-end	Mark 10, 1-31, *or* Philippians 2
M.	2 Kings 14	1 Corinthians 10, 1—11, 1
Tu.	2 Kings 15, 17-end	1 Corinthians 11, 17-end
W.	Isaiah 7, 1-17	1 Corinthians 12, 1-27
Th.	2 Kings 17, 1-23	1 Cor. 12, 27—13 end
F.	2 Kings 18, 1-8	1 Corinthians 14, 1-19
S.	2 Kings 18, 13-end	1 Corinthians 14, 20-end

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
1 Samuel 20, 1-17, *or* 1 Samuel 26	Matthew 6, *or* Acts 14	*Fifth Sunday after Trinity*
1 Kings 8, 1-21	Matthew 14, 22-end	M.
1 Kings 8, 54—9, 9	Mark 8, 1-26	Tu.
1 Kings 11, 1-13	Matthew 16, 13-end	W.
1 Kings 12, 1-24	Matthew 17	Th.
1 Kings 13, 11-end	Mark 9, 33-end	F.
2 Chronicles 12	Matthew 18, 12-end	S.
2 Samuel 7, *or* 2 Samuel 12, 1-23	Matthew 7, *or* Acts 15, 1-31	*Sixth Sunday after Trinity*
2 Chronicles 14	Luke 9, 51-end	M.
2 Chronicles 16	Luke 10, 1-20	Tu.
1 Kings 17	Luke 10, 25—11, 13	W.
1 Kings 18, 17-end	Luke 12, 1-34	Th.
1 Kings 21	Luke 12, 35-end	F.
2 Chronicles 20, 1-30	Luke 13	S.
1 Kings 3, *or* 1 Kings 8, 22-61	Matthew 9, 35—10, 23, *or* Acts 16, 6-end	*Seventh Sunday after Trinity*
2 Kings 2, 1-22	Luke 14, 1-33	M.
2 Kings 5	Luke 15	Tu.
2 Kings 6, 24—7, 2	Luke 16	W.
2 Kings 8, 1-15	Luke 17	Th.
2 Kings 11, 1-20	Luke 18, 1-14	F.
2 Kings 13	Matthew 20, 1-16	S.
1 Kings 12, *or* 1 Kings 13, 1-32	Matthew 10, 24-end, *or* Acts 17, 16-end	*Eighth Sunday after Trinity*
2 Chronicles 26	Mark 10, 32-end	M.
2 Kings 16	Luke 18, 35—19, 28	Tu.
Isaiah 8, 1-18	Luke 19, 29-44	W.
2 Kings 17, 24-end	Mark 11, 11—12, 12	Th.
2 Chronicles 30	Matthew 22, 1-22	F.
2 Kings 19	Matthew 22, 23-end	S.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Ninth Sunday after Trinity	1 Kings 17, *or* 2 Chronicles 14, 9—15, 8	Luke 1, 1-25, *or* Philippians 3
M.	2 Kings 20	1 Corinthians 15, 1-34
Tu.	2 Kings 22	1 Corinthians 15, 35-end
W.	2 Kings 23, 21-35	1 Corinthians 16
Th.	2 Kings 24, 18—25, 7	2 Corinthians 1, 1-22
F.	Jeremiah 19	2 Corinthians 1, 23—2 end
S.	Jeremiah 22, 20—23, 8	2 Corinthians 3
Tenth Sunday after Trinity	1 Kings 21, *or* 2 Kings 2, 1-15	Luke 1, 26-56, *or* Philippians 4
M.	Jeremiah 25, 1-14	2 Corinthians 4
Tu.	Jeremiah 28	2 Corinthians 5
W.	Jeremiah 32, 1-25	2 Corinthians 5, 20—7, 1
Th.	Jeremiah 33	2 Corinthians 7, 2-end
F.	Jeremiah 37	2 Corinthians 8
S.	Jeremiah 38, 14-end	2 Corinthians 9
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity	2 Kings 5, *or* Ecclesiastes 3, 1-17	Luke 1, 57-end, *or* Colossians 3, 12—4, 6
M.	Jeremiah 40	2 Corinthians 10
Tu.	Jeremiah 42	2 Corinthians 11
W.	Jeremiah 44, 1-14	2 Corinthians 12, 1-13
Th.	Ezekiel 2	2 Cor. 12, 14—13 end
F.	Ezekiel 8	Romans 1
S.	Ezekiel 11, 14-end	Romans 2, 1-16
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	2 Kings 18, 13-end, *or* Micah 6	Luke 4, 1-15, *or* Philemon
M.	Ezra 1	Romans 2, 17-end
Tu.	Ezra 4	Romans 3
W.	Zechariah 1, 1-17	Romans 4
Th.	Zechariah 3	Romans 5
F.	Zechariah 6, 9-end	Romans 6
S.	Ezra 5	Romans 7

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
1 Kings 18, *or* 1 Kings 19	Matthew 11, *or* Acts 20, 17-end	*Ninth Sunday after Trinity*
2 Chronicles 33 2 Kings 23, 1-20 2 Kings 23, 36—24, 17 2 Kings 25, 8-end Jeremiah 21, 1-10 Jeremiah 24	Matthew 23 Mark 12, 41—13, 13 Mark 13, 14-end Matthew 25, 1-30 Matthew 25, 31-end Mark 14, 1-26	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
1 Kings 22, 1-40, *or* 2 Kings 4, 8-37	Matthew 13, 24-52, *or* Acts 27	*Tenth Sunday after Trinity*
Jeremiah 27, 2-end Jeremiah 29, 1-20 Jeremiah 32, 26-end Jeremiah 34, 8-end Jeremiah 38, 1-13 Jeremiah 39	Mark 14, 27-52 Mark 14, 53-end Mark 15, 1-41 Luke 23, 33-end Mark 15, 42—16 end Luke 24, 13-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
2 Kings 6, 8-23, *or* 2 Kings 17, 1-23	Matthew 16, 13-end, *or* Acts 28	*Eleventh Sunday after Trinity*
Jeremiah 41 Jeremiah 43 Jeremiah 44, 15-end Ezekiel 3, 4-end Ezekiel 9 Ezekiel 33, 21-end	John 1, 1-28 John 1, 29-end John 2 John 3, 1-21 John 3, 22-end John 4, 1-26	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
2 Kings 19, *or* Isaiah 38, 1-20, *or* Micah 7	Matthew 18, 15-end, *or* Ephesians 1	*Twelfth Sunday after Trinity*
Ezra 3 Haggai 1, 1—2, 9 Zechariah 1, 18—2 end Zechariah 4 Haggai 2, 10-end Ezra 6	John 4, 27-end John 5, 1-23 John 5, 24-end John 6, 1-21 John 6, 22-40 John 6, 41-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity	2 Kings 22, *or* Habakkuk 2, 1-14	Luke 4, 31—5, 11, *or* 1 Timothy 6
M.	Zechariah 7	Romans 8, 1-17
Tu.	Ezra 7	Romans 8, 18-end
W.	Ezra 9	Romans 9
Th.	Nehemiah 1	Romans 10
F.	Nehemiah 4	Romans 11, 1-24
S.	Nehemiah 6, 1—7, 1	Romans 11, 25-end
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	Ezra 1, 1-8 and 3, *or* Zephaniah 1	Luke 7, 36-end, *or* 1 Corinthians 13
M.	Nehemiah 9, 1-23	Romans 12
Tu.	Nehemiah 13	Romans 13
W.	Daniel 2, 25-end	Romans 14
Th.	Daniel 4, 19-end	Romans 15, 1-13
F.	Daniel 9, 1-19	Romans 15, 14-end
S.	Daniel 10	Romans 16
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	Daniel 3	Luke 9, 57—10, 24, *or* 2 Timothy 1
M.	Esther 1	Philippians 1, 1-11
Tu.	Esther 3	Philippians 1, 12-end
W.	Esther 5	Philippians 2, 1-11
* Th.	1 Maccabees 1, 1-19	Philippians 2, 12-end
* F.	1 Maccabees 1, 41-end	Philippians 3
* S.	1 Maccabees 2, 29-48	Philippians 4
Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity	Jeremiah 5, 1-19	Luke 11, 1-28, *or* Titus 2, 1—3, 7
M.	1 Maccabees 3, 1-26	Colossians 1, 1-20
Tu.	1 Maccabees 3, 42-end	Colossians 1, 21—2, 7
* W.	1 Maccabees 4, 26-35	Colossians 2, 8-19
* Th.	1 Maccabees 6, 1-17	Colossians 2, 20—3, 11
* F.	1 Maccabees 7, 1-20	Colossians 3, 12—4, 1
* S.	1 Maccabees 9, 1-22	Colossians 4, 2-end

* NOTE.—*Instead of the Lessons from* 1 *Maccabees here set down, one chapter*

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
2 Kings 23, 1-30, *or* 2 Chronicles 36, 1-21, *or* Habakkuk 3, 2-end	Matthew 20, 1-28, *or* Ephesians 2	*Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity*
Zechariah 8 Ezra 8, 15-end Ezra 10, 1-19 Nehemiah 2 Nehemiah 5 Nehemiah 8	John 7, 1-24 John 7, 25-end John 8, 1-30 John 8, 31-end John 9 John 10, 1-21	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Nehemiah 1, 1—2, 8, *or* Daniel 1, *or* Zephaniah 3	Matthew 21, 23-end, *or* Ephesians 4, 1-24	*Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity*
Nehemiah 9, 24-end Daniel 2, 1-24 Daniel 4, 1-18 Daniel 7, 9-end Daniel 9, 20-end Daniel 12	John 10, 22-end John 11, 1-44 John 11, 45-end John 12, 1-19 John 12, 20-end John 13	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Daniel 5, *or* Daniel 6	Matthew 28, *or* Ephesians 4, 25—5, 21	*Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity*
Esther 2, 5-11, 15-end Esther 4 Esther 6 and 7 1 Maccabees 1, 20-40 1 Maccabees 2, 1-28 1 Maccabees 2, 49-end	John 14, 1-14 John 14, 15-end John 15 John 16, 1-15 John 16, 16-end John 17	M. Tu. W. Th. } F. } * S. }
Jeremiah 5, 20-end, *or* Jeremiah 7, 1-15	John 8, 12-30, *or* Ephesians 5, 22—6, 9	*Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity*
1 Maccabees 3, 27-41 1 Maccabees 4, 1-25 1 Maccabees 4, 36-end 1 Maccabees 6, 18-47 1 Maccabees 7, 21-end 1 Maccabees 13, 41-end and 14, 4-15	John 18, 1-27 John 18, 28-end John 19, 1-30 John 19, 31-end John 20 John 21	M. } Tu. } W. } * Th. } F. } S. }

the books of Zechariah and Malachi may be read consecutively, for each Lesson.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity	Jeremiah 17, 5-14	Luke 11, 29-end, *or* 1 Peter 1, 1-21
M.	Job 1	Philemon
Tu.	Job 3	Ephesians 1, 1-14
W.	Job 5	Ephesians 1, 15-end
Th.	Job 7	Ephesians 2, 1-10
F.	Job 9	Ephesians 2, 11-end
S.	Job 11	Ephesians 3
Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity	Jeremiah 26	Luke 12, 1-34, *or* 1 Peter 1, 22—2, 10
M.	Job 13	Ephesians 4, 1-16
Tu.	Job 15, 1-16	Ephesians 4, 17-30
W.	Job 17, 3-end	Ephesians 4, 31—5, 21
Th.	Job 19	Ephesians 5, 22-end
F.	Job 22	Ephesians 6, 1-9
S.	Job 24	Ephesians 6, 10-end
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity	Jeremiah 31, 23-37	Luke 12, 35-end, *or* 1 Peter 2, 11—3, 7
M.	Job 27	1 Timothy 1, 1-17
Tu.	Job 29, 1—30, 1	1 Timothy 1, 18—2 end
W.	Job 32	1 Timothy 3
Th.	Job 38, 1-21	1 Timothy 4
F.	Job 39	1 Timothy 5
S.	Job 41	1 Timothy 6
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity	Ezekiel 2	Luke 13, *or* 1 Peter 3, 8—4, 6
M.	Proverbs 1, 1-19	Titus 1, 1—2, 8
Tu.	Proverbs 2	Titus 2, 9—3 end
W.	Proverbs 3, 27—4, 19	2 Timothy 1
Th.	Proverbs 6, 6-22	2 Timothy 2
F.	Proverbs 9	2 Timothy 3
S.	Proverbs 11, 1-25	2 Timothy 4

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FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Jeremiah 18, 1-17, *or* Jeremiah 22, 1-19	John 8, 31-end, *or* Ephesians 6, 10-end	*Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity*
Job 2 Job 4 Job 6 Job 8 Job 10 Job 12	Luke 1, 1-23 Luke 1, 24-56 Luke 1, 57-end Luke 2, 1-21 Luke 2, 22-end Luke 3, 1-22	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Jeremiah 30, 1-3, 10-22, *or* Jeremiah 31, 1-20	John 13, *or* 1 John 1, 1—2, 11	*Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity*
Job 14 Job 16, 1—17, 2 Job 18 Job 21 Job 23 Job 25, 1—26 end	Luke 4, 1-30 Luke 4, 31-end Luke 5, 1-16 Luke 5, 17-end Luke 6, 1-19 Luke 6, 20-38	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Jeremiah 35, *or* Jeremiah 36	John 14, *or* 1 John 2, 12-end	*Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity*
Job 28 Job 31, 13-end Job 33 Job 38, 22-end Job 40 Job 42	Luke 6, 39—7, 10 Luke 7, 11-35 Luke 7, 36-end Luke 8, 1-21 Luke 8, 22-end Luke 9, 1-17	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Ezekiel 3, 4-21, *or* Ezekiel 13, 1-16	John 15, *or* 1 John 3	*Twentieth Sunday after Trinity*
Proverbs 1, 20-end Proverbs 3, 1-26 Proverbs 4, 20—5, 13 Proverbs 8 Proverbs 10, 1-22 Proverbs 12, 10-end	Luke 9, 18-50 Luke 9, 51-end Luke 10, 1-24 Luke 10, 25-end Luke 11, 1-28 Luke 11, 29-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity	Ezekiel 14	Luke 14, 1-24, *or* 1 Peter 4, 7—5, 11
M.	Proverbs 14, 9-27	Luke 12, 1-34
Tu.	Proverbs 16, 31—17, 17	Luke 12, 54—13, 9
W.	Proverbs 20, 1-22	Luke 14, 1-24
Th.	Proverbs 24, 23-end	Luke 15, 11-end
F.	Proverbs 26, 12-end	Luke 17, 1-19
S.	Proverbs 30, 5-16	Luke 18, 1-30
Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity	Ezekiel 34, 1-16	Luke 14, 25—15, 10, *or* 2 Peter 1
M.	Ecclesiastes 1	Luke 19, 11-28
Tu.	Ecclesiastes 3, 1-15	Luke 20, 1-26
W.	Ecclesiastes 4, 7-end	Luke 21, 5-end
Th.	Ecclesiastes 6	Luke 22, 39-53
F.	Ecclesiastes 7, 15-end	Luke 23, 1-25
S.	Ecclesiastes 9	Luke 23, 50—24, 12
**Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity*	Proverbs 1, 20-end, *or* Hosea 11, 1—12, 6	Luke 16, *or* 1 Corinthians 1, 1-25
M.	Ecclesiasticus 1, 1-10	Acts 1
Tu.	Ecclesiasticus 2	Acts 2, 22-end
W.	Ecclesiasticus 4, 11-28	Acts 4, 5-31
Th.	Ecclesiasticus 6, 14-31	Acts 5, 12—6, 7
F.	Ecclesiasticus 10, 6-8, 12-24	Acts 7, 17-34
S.	Ecclus. 14, 20—15, 10	Acts 8, 4-25
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity	Proverbs 8, 1-21, *or* Amos 3	Luke 17, 1-19, *or* 1 Cor. 1, 26—2 end
M.	Ecclesiasticus 16, 17-end	Acts 9, 1-31
Tu.	Ecclesiasticus 18, 1-14	Acts 10, 1-23
W.	Ecclesiasticus 21, 1-17	Acts 11, 1-18
Th.	Ecclus. 22, 27—23, 15	Acts 12, 1-24
F.	Ecclesiasticus 24, 23-end	Acts 13, 13-43
S.	Ecclesiasticus 31, 1-11	Acts 14, 8-end

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EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Ezekiel 18, 1-4, 19-end, *or* Ezekiel 33, 1-20	John 16, *or* 1 John 4	*Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity*
Proverbs 15, 18-end Proverbs 18, 10-end Proverbs 22, 1-16 Proverbs 25 Proverbs 27, 1-22 Proverbs 31, 10-end	Luke 12, 35-53 Luke 13, 10-end Luke 14, 25—15, 10 Luke 16 Luke 17, 20-end Luke 18, 31—19, 10	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Ezekiel 34, 17-end, *or* Ezekiel 37, 15-end	John 17, *or* 1 John 5	*Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity*
Ecclesiastes 2, 1-23 Ecclesiastes 3, 16—4, 6 Ecclesiastes 5 Ecclesiastes 7, 1-14 Ecclesiastes 8 Ecclesiastes 10, 5-18	Luke 19, 29-end Luke 20, 27—21, 4 Luke 22, 1-38 Luke 22, 54-end Luke 23, 26-49 Luke 24, 13-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Proverbs 2, *or* Proverbs 3, 1-26, *or* Hosea 14	John 9, *or* 1 Corinthians 13	**Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity*
Ecclesiasticus 1, 11-end Ecclesiasticus 3, 17-29 Ecclesiasticus 4, 29-6, 1 Ecclesiasticus 7, 27-end Ecclesiasticus 11, 7-28 Ecclesiasticus 15, 11-end	Acts 2, 1-21 Acts 3, 1—4, 4 Acts 4, 32—5, 11 Acts 6, 8—7, 16 Acts 7, 35—8, 4 Acts 8, 26-end	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.
Proverbs 8, 1, 22-end, *or* Proverbs 9, *or* Amos 5, 1-24	John 10, *or* James 3	*Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity*
Ecclesiasticus 17, 1-24 Ecclesiasticus 19, 13-end Ecclesiasticus 22, 6-22 Ecclesiasticus 24, 1-22 Ecclus. 27, 30—28, 9 Ecclesiasticus 34, 9-end	Acts 9, 32-end Acts 10, 24-end Acts 11, 19-end Acts 12, 25—13, 12 Acts 13, 44—14, 7 Acts 15, 1-21	M. Tu. W. Th. F. S.

the Lessons which were omitted in the weeks after the Epiphany may be read.

	MORNING PRAYER	
	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity	Proverbs 13, *or* Amos 7	Luke 22, 1-38, *or* 1 Corinthians 3
M.	Ecclesiasticus 35	Acts 15, 22-35
Tu.	Ecclesiasticus 38, 1-14	Acts 16, 6-end
W.	Ecclesiasticus 39, 1-11	Acts 17, 16-end
Th.	Ecclesiasticus 42, 15-end	Acts 18, 24—19, 7
F.	Ecclesiasticus 43, 13-end	Acts 19, 21-end
S.	Ecclesiasticus 51, 1-12	Acts 20, 17-end
Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity	Proverbs 23, 15-end, *or* Micah 2	Luke 23, 1-25, *or* Jude
M.	1 Esdras 4, 33-41	Acts 21, 17-36
Tu.	Tobit 13	Acts 22, 23—23, 11
W.	Baruch 2, 11-end	Acts 24, 1-23
Th.	Baruch 3, 9-end	Acts 25, 13-end
F.	2 Maccabees 4, 7-17	Acts 27, 1-26
S.	2 Maccabees 7, 1-19	Acts 28, 1-15
Sunday next before Advent	Ecclesiastes 11 and 12	Hebrews 11, 1-16
* M.	Wisdom 1	Revelation 1
* Tu.	Wisdom 3, 1-9	Revelation 3
* W.	Wisdom 5, 1-16	Revelation 5
* Th.	Wisdom 7, 15—8, 4	Revelation 7
* F.	Wisdom 8, 21—9 end	Revelation 11, 15—12 end
* S.	Wisdom 11, 21—12, 2	Revelation 18

* NOTE.—*Instead of the Lessons set down for the week-days next before chapter for*

EVENING PRAYER		
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	
Proverbs 14, 31—15, 17, *or* Proverbs 16, 1-19, *or* Amos 9	Luke 22, 39-end, *or* James 4	*Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity*
Ecclesiasticus 37, 7-15	Acts 15, 36—16, 5	M.
Ecclesiasticus 38, 24-end	Acts 17, 1-15	Tu.
Ecclesiasticus 39, 13-end	Acts 18, 1-23	W.
Ecclesiasticus 43, 1-12	Acts 19, 8-20	Th.
Ecclesiasticus 50, 1-24	Acts 20, 1-16	F.
Ecclesiasticus 51, 13-end	Acts 21, 1-16	S.
Proverbs 24, 23-end, *or* Proverbs 31, 10-end, *or* Micah 5, 2-end	Luke 23, 26-end, *or* James 5	*Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity*
Tobit 4, 5-19	Acts 21, 37—22, 22	M.
Baruch 1, 15—2, 10	Acts 23, 12-end	Tu.
Baruch 3, 1-8	Acts 24, 24—25, 12	W.
Baruch 4, 36—5 end	Acts 26	Th.
2 Maccabees 6, 12-end	Acts 27, 27-end	F.
2 Maccabees 7, 20-41	Acts 28, 16-end	S.
Haggai 2, 1-9, *or* Malachi 3 and 4	Hebrews 11, 17—12, 2, *or* Luke 15, 11-end	*Sunday next before Advent*
Wisdom 2	Revelation 2	M. *
Wisdom 4, 7-end	Revelation 4	Tu. *
Wisdom 6, 1-21	Revelation 6	W. *
Wisdom 8, 5-18	Revelation 10	Th. *
Wisdom 10, 15—11, 10	Revelation 14, 1-13	F. *
Wisdom 12, 12-21	Revelation 19, 1-16	S. *

Advent, the books of Joel and Amos may be read consecutively, one each Lesson.

¶ *Instead of any Lesson appointed in this Table, the Minister may at his*

		FIRST EVENSONG	
		FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
St Andrew	Nov. 30	Ecclesiasticus 14, 20-end	John 1, 35-42
St Thomas	Dec. 21	2 Samuel 15, 17-21	John 11, 1-16
Conversion of St Paul	Jan. 25	Jeremiah 1, 4-10	Acts 26, 1-23
Purification of the Virgin Mary	Feb. 2	Exodus 13, 11-16	Galatians 4, 1-7
St Matthias	Feb. 24	Isaiah 22, 15-22	John 15, 1-16
Annunciation of our Lady	Mar. 25	Genesis 3, 1-15	Romans 5, 12-21
St Mark	April 25	Ezekiel 1	Acts 12, 25-13, 13
St Philip and St James	May 1	Proverbs 4, 10-18	John 1, 43-end
St Barnabas	June 11	Job 29, 11-16	Acts 4, 32-end
St John Baptist	June 24	Malachi 3, 1-6	Luke 1, 5-23
St Peter	June 29	Ezekiel 2, 1-7	Acts 3
St James	July 25	2 Kings 1, 1-15	Luke 9, 46-56
Transfiguration	Aug. 6	Exodus 24, 12-end	Luke 9, 28-45
St Bartholomew	Aug. 24	Genesis 28, 10-17	John 1, 43-end
St Matthew	Sept. 21	1 Kings 19, 15-end	Matthew 6, 19-end
St Michael	Sept. 29	Genesis 31, 45—32, 2	Revelation 5
St Luke	Oct. 18	Isaiah 55	Luke 1, 1-4
St Simon and St Jude	Oct. 28	Isaiah 28, 9-16	Ephesians 2, 11-end
All Saints	Nov. 1	Wisdom 3, 1-9	Hebrews 11, 32—12, 2

NOT INCLUDED IN THE FOREGOING TABLE

discretion read the corresponding Lesson set down in the weekly course.

MATTINS		SECOND EVENSONG	
FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON	FIRST LESSON	SECOND LESSON
Zechariah 8, 20-end	John 12, 20-32	Ezekiel 47, 1-12	1 Corinthians 1 18-end
Job 42, 1-6	John 14, 1-7	Isaiah 35	1 Peter 1, 3-9
Isaiah 49, 1-13	Galatians 1, 11-end	Isaiah 45, 18-end	Philippians 3, 1-14
1 Samuel 1, 21-end	Hebrews 10, 1-10	Haggai 2, 1-9	Romans 12, 1-5
1 Samuel 2, 27-35	Matthew 7, 15-27	1 Samuel 16, 1-13	Acts 20, 17-35
Isaiah 52, 7-12	Hebrews 2, 5-end	1 Samuel 2, 1-11	Matthew 1, 18-23
Ecclesiasticus 51, 13-end	Acts 15, 35-end	Isaiah 62, 6-end	2 Timothy 4, 1-11
Job 23, 1-12	John 6, 1-14	Isaiah 30, 15-21	John 17, 1-8
Jeremiah 9, 23, 24	Acts 9, 26-31	Isaiah 42, 5-12	Acts 14, 8-end
Ecclesiasticus 48, 1-10	Luke 3, 1-20	Malachi 4	Matthew 11, 2-19
Ezekiel 3, 4-11	Acts 11, 1-18	Ezekiel 34, 11-16	John 21, 15-22
Jeremiah 45	Mark 1, 14-20	Jeremiah 26, 1-15	Mark 5, 21-end
Exodus 34, 29-end	2 Corinthians 3	1 Kings 19, 1-16	2 Peter 1, 12-end
Ecclesiasticus 39, 1-10	Matthew 10, 1-15	Deuteronomy 18, 15-19	Matthew 10, 16-22
Proverbs 3, 1-18	Matthew 19, 16-end	1 Chronicles 29, 9-17	1 Timothy 6, 6-19
2 Kings 6, 8-17	Acts 12, 1-11	Daniel 10, 4-end	Matthew 13, 24-30, 36-43
Isaiah 61, 1-6	Acts 16, 6-18	Ecclesiasticus 38, 1-14	Colossians 4, 7-end
Ecclesiasticus 2	Luke 6, 12-23	1 Maccabees 2, 42-66	Jude 17-end
Wisdom 5, 1-16	Revelation 19, 6-10	Ecclesiasticus 44, 1-15	Revelation 7, 9-end

LESSONS PROPER FOR SPECIAL DAYS

	MATTINS	EVENSONG
Rogation Days		
Monday	Joel 2, 15-27 Matth. 6, 24-end	Eccles. 11 Luke 11, 1-13
Tuesday	Isaiah 55, 6-end Luke 5, 1-11	Deut. 11, 13-22 James 5, 1-15
Wednesday	1 Kings 8, 33-40 James 1, 1-18	Isaiah 32, 13-end John 4, 31-42
Ember Days in Lent		
Wednesday	Ezek. 2, 1—3, 9 2 Tim. 1	Ezek. 3, 10-end 2 Tim. 2
Friday	Ezek. 33, 1-20 Titus 1	Ezek. 34, 1-16 Titus 2
Saturday	Ezek. 34, 17-end Titus 3	Ezek. 37, 1-14 Philemon
Ember Days in Whitsun week		
Wednesday	Isaiah 6, 1-8 Luke 6, 12-23	Jer. 31, 27-end 1 Cor. 1, 18-end
Friday	Isaiah 61 Luke 10, 1-12	Jer. 42, 1-12 1 Cor. 2
Saturday	Ezek. 13, 1-16 Luke 12, 1-12	Ezek. 14, 1-11 1 Cor. 9, 7-end
Ember Days in September		
Wednesday	Deut. 18, 15-end Acts 1, 1-9	1 Kings 13, 1-26 2 Cor. 4
Friday	2 Kings 2, 1-22 Acts 4, 1-12	Jer. 6, 8-19 2 Cor. 5
Saturday	Hosea 4, 1-9 Acts 4, 13-23	Micah 3, 5-end Heb. 13, 7-21
Ember Days in December		
Wednesday	Jer. 23, 5-15 John 1, 29-end	Jer. 23, 16-end Ephes. 4, 1-16
Friday	Jer. 26, 1-15 John 5, 33-end	Mal. 2 1 Thess. 5
Saturday	Mal. 3, 1-12 Luke 12, 35-48	Mal. 3, 13-end, and 4 2 Tim. 1

LESSONS PROPER FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS

ACCESSION SERVICE

Joshua 1, 1-9, *or* Proverbs 8, 1-16.
Romans 13, 1-10, *or* Rev. 21, 22—22, 3.

DOMINION DAY
AND OTHER OCCASIONS OF NATIONAL THANKSGIVING

Morning Prayer: Deut. 8, *or* Joshua 24, 14-25.
1 Tim. 2, 1-8, *or* Matth. 25, 14-30.
Evening Prayer: Deut. 6, 1-15, *or* 28, 1-14.
Romans 13, 1-10.

FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Job 28, 12-end. Prov. 4.
Matth. 25, 1-13. 2 Tim. 1, 1-14.
See also, page 684.

FOR MISSIONS

Morning Prayer: Isaiah 49, 13-23. Ephesians 3.
Evening Prayer: Isaiah 60, 1-14. John 10, 1-15.

THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSINGS OF HARVEST

Morning Prayer: Deut. 8. Luke 12, 15-34.
Evening Prayer: Deut. 16, 9-17, *or* Deut. 28, 1-14. 2 Cor. 9.

THE INDUCTION OF MINISTERS

Joshua 1, 1-9; *or* Ezek. 33, 1-9; *or* Titus 2.

THE CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH OR CHAPEL

1 Kings 8, 1-30; *or* 1 Chron. 29, 1-24; *or* Zech. 8, 9-end.
Heb. 10, 19-25.

THE CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH-YARD

Gen. 23; *or* John 5, 21-29; *or* 1 Thess. 4, 13-end.

THE DEDICATION OF A CHURCH

1 Chron. 29, 9-17.
Ephes. 2.

PROPER PSALMS ON CERTAIN DAYS

	MATTINS	EVENSONG
Advent Sunday	Psalm 9 — 50	Psalm 36 — 97 — 98
Christmas Day	Psalm 19 — 45 — 85	Psalm 89 *or* Psalm 110 — 132
Circumcision (New Year's Day)	Psalm 90	Psalm 105
Epiphany	Psalm 87 — 96	Psalm 67 — 72
Ash Wednesday	Psalm 6 — 32 — 38	Psalm 102 — 130 — 143
Good Friday	Psalm 22 — 40 — 54	Psalm 69 — 88
Easter Even	Psalm 4 — 30	Psalm 16 — 27
Easter Day	Psalm 2 — 57 — 111	Psalm 113 — 114 — 118
Ascension Day	Psalm 8 — 15 — 21	Psalm 24 — 47 — 108
Whitsunday	Psalm 48 — 68	Psalm 104 — 145
Trinity Sunday	Psalm 93 — 97 — 99	Psalm 62 — 146 — 150

	MATTINS	EVENSONG
St Michael and All Angels	Psalm 34 — 91	Psalm 103 — 148
All Saints' Day	Psalm 1 — 15 — 112	Psalm 145 — 146 — 149
Rogation Days	Psalm 8 — 65 — 104 — 126 — 144 — 147 } *One or more*	
Dominion Day and other occasions of National Thanksgiving	Psalm 72	Psalm 46 — 150
Children's Service	*See page* 683	
For Missions	Psalm 2 — 46 — 97	Psalm 113 — 126 — 132
Harvest Thanksgiving	Ps. 65 — 103 — 107 — 144 — 145 } *One or more*	Ps. 148 — 150
Institution and Induction		Psalm 121 — 132
Consecration of Church or Chapel		Psalm 84 — 122 — 132
Consecration of Church-yard or Cemetery		Psalm 23 — 39 — 90 — 103

SELECTIONS OF PSALMS

Any of the following Selections may be used on the thirty-first day of the month, or on any other day for sufficient cause with the approval of the Ordinary, save only on those days for which Proper Psalms are appointed.

I., Psalms 1, 3 and 4. II., Psalms 15, 16 and 23. III., Psalms 19 and 20. IV., Psalms 27 and 29. V., Psalms 42 and 46. VI., Psalms 61 and 62. VII., Psalms 67 and 72. VIII., Psalms 84 and 85. IX., Psalms 91 and 96. X., Psalms 101 and 103. XI., Psalms 111, 112 and 113. XII., Psalm 119, 89–112. XIII., Psalms 139 and 143. XIV., Psalms 126, 127 and 130. XV., Psalms 145 and 146. XVI., Psalms 148, 149 and 150.

PSALMS THAT MAY BE USED IN HOLY WEEK

on the days for which Proper Psalms are not appointed

Psalms 41, 51, 71, 74, 94, 116, 120, 130, 141, 142.

THE CALENDAR

JANUARY

HATH XXXI DAYS

1	*Circumcision of our Lord*
6	*Epiphany of our Lord*
13	Hilary, Bishop of Poictiers, and Confessor, circ. 368
21	Agnes, Roman Virgin and Martyr, circ. 304
22	Vincent, Spanish Deacon and Martyr, 304
25	*Conversion of Saint Paul*
26	Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, Martyr, 155
27	John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, Doctor, 407

FEBRUARY

HATH XXVIII DAYS, in every Leap Year 29 days

1	Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, Martyr, circ. 109
2	*Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
14	Valentine, Bishop and Martyr, 270
24	*Saint Matthias, Apostle and Martyr*

MARCH

HATH XXXI DAYS

1	Saint David, Archbishop of Menevia, circ. 544
2	Chad, Bishop of Lichfield, 672
7	Perpetua and Felicitas, Martyrs, 203
12	Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, Doctor, 604
17	Saint Patrick, Bishop of Armagh, circ. 465
19	Saint Joseph
20	Cuthbert, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 687
21	Benedict, Abbot, 543
25	*Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

APRIL

HATH XXX DAYS

3	Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253
4	Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Doctor, 397
19	Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1012
21	Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1109
23	Saint George, Martyr, circ. 303
25	*Saint Mark, Evangelist and Martyr*

MAY

HATH XXXI DAYS

1	*Saint Philip and Saint James, Apostles and Martyrs*
2	Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, Doctor, 373
6	Saint John, Evangelist, ante Portam Latinam
9	Gregory Nazianzen, Doctor, circ. 390
19	Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, 988
26	Augustine, Archbishop of Canterbury, 605
27	Venerable Bede, Presbyter, 735

JUNE

HATH XXX DAYS

1	Justin, Martyr, 150
5	Boniface, Bishop and Martyr, 755
9	Columba, Abbot of Iona, 597
10	Margaret, Queen of Scotland, 1093
11	*Saint Barnabas, Apostle and Martyr*
14	Basil the Great, Bishop, Doctor, 379
22	Alban, Martyr, circ. 303
24	*Nativity of Saint John Baptist*
28	Irenæus, Bishop of Lyons, circ. 202
29	*Saint Peter, Apostle and Martyr*

JULY

HATH XXXI DAYS

2	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
15	Swithun, Bishop of Winchester, 862
20	Margaret, Virgin and Martyr of Antioch, 278
22	Saint Mary Magdalene
25	*Saint James, Apostle and Martyr*
26	Saint Anne

AUGUST

HATH XXXI DAYS

1	Lammas Day
5	Oswald, King and Martyr, 642
6	*Transfiguration of our Lord*
7	Name of Jesus
10	Laurence, Roman Deacon, Martyr, 258
24	*Saint Bartholomew, Apostle and Martyr*
28	Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, Doctor, 430
29	Beheading of Saint John Baptist
31	Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 651

THE CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER
HATH XXX DAYS

1	Giles, 725
8	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
14	Holy Cross Day
16	Ninian, Bishop of Galloway, 432
19	Theodore, Archbishop of Canterbury, 690
21	*Saint Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, and Martyr*
26	Cyprian, Archbishop of Carthage, and Martyr, 258
29	*Saint Michael and all Angels*
30	Jerome, Presbyter, and Doctor, 419

OCTOBER
HATH XXXI DAYS

1	Remigius, Bishop of Rheims, circ. 532
9	Denys, Bishop and Martyr
10	Paulinus, Archbishop of York, 644
13	King Edward, Confessor, 1066
17	Etheldreda, Virgin and Abbess, 679
18	*Saint Luke, Evangelist*
28	*Saint Simon and Saint Jude, Apostles and Martyrs*

NOVEMBER
HATH XXX DAYS

1	*All Saints' Day*
11	Martin, Bishop of Tours, circ. 397
17	Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln, 1200
18	Hilda, Abbess, 680
20	Edmund, King and Martyr, 870
22	Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr, third century
23	Clement, Bishop of Rome, Martyr, circ. 100
25	Catherine, Virgin and Martyr, fourth century
30	*Saint Andrew, Apostle and Martyr*

DECEMBER
HATH XXXI DAYS

6	Nicolas, Bishop of Myra, circ. 342
8	Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
16	O Sapientia
21	*Saint Thomas, Apostle and Martyr*
25	*Christmas Day*
26	*Saint Stephen, Martyr*
27	*Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist*
28	*Innocents' Day*
29	Thomas, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1170

TABLES AND RULES

FOR THE

MOVEABLE AND IMMOVEABLE FEASTS

TOGETHER WITH THE

DAYS OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

THROUGH THE WHOLE YEAR

RULES TO KNOW WHEN THE MOVEABLE FEASTS AND HOLY-DAYS BEGIN

EASTER DAY (on which the rest depend) is always the first Sunday after the Full Moon which happens upon, or next after, the Twenty-first day of March; and if the Full Moon happens upon a Sunday, Easter Day is the Sunday after.

Advent Sunday is always the nearest Sunday to the Feast of St Andrew, whether before or after.

Septuagesima Sexagesima Quinquagesima Quadragesima	Sunday is	nine eight seven six	weeks before Easter.
Rogation Sunday Ascension Day Whitsunday Trinity Sunday	is	five weeks forty days seven weeks eight weeks	after Easter.

A TABLE OF ALL THE FEASTS

THAT ARE TO BE OBSERVED

IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN CANADA
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

All Sundays in the Year.

The days of the Feasts of

- The Circumcision of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.
- The Epiphany.
- The Conversion of St Paul.
- The Purification of the Blessed Virgin.
- St Matthias the Apostle.
- The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
- St Mark the Evangelist.
- St Philip and St James the Apostles.
- The Ascension of our Lord JESUS CHRIST
- St Barnabas.
- The Nativity of St John Baptist.
- St Peter the Apostle.
- St James the Apostle.
- The Transfiguration of our Lord.
- St Bartholomew the Apostle.
- St Matthew the Apostle.
- St Michael and all Angels.
- St Luke the Evangelist.
- St Simon and St Jude the Apostles.
- All Saints.
- St Andrew the Apostle.
- St Thomas the Apostle.
- The NATIVITY of our LORD.
- St Stephen the Martyr.
- St John the Evangelist.
- The Holy Innocents.

Monday and Tuesday in Easter-week.

Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-week.

A TABLE

OF THE

VIGILS, FASTS, AND DAYS OF ABSTINENCE

TO BE OBSERVED IN THE YEAR

The Evens or Vigils before.....
- The Nativity of our Lord.
- The Purification of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*.
- The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
- Easter Day.
- Ascension Day.
- Pentecost.
- *St Matthias.*
- *St John* Baptist.
- *St Peter.*
- *St James.*
- *St Bartholomew.*
- *St Matthew.*
- *St Simon* and *St Jude.*
- *St Andrew.*
- *St Thomas.*
- All Saints.

NOTE, That if any of these Feast-Days fall upon a *Monday*, then the Vigil or Fast-Day shall be kept upon the *Saturday*, and not upon the *Sunday* next before it.

DAYS OF FASTING, OR ABSTINENCE

I. The Forty Days of Lent.

II. The Ember Days at the Four Seasons, being the *Wednesday*, *Friday*, and *Saturday* after.....
1. The First *Sunday* in Lent.
2. The Feast of *Pentecost*.
3. *September* 14.
4. *December* 13.

III. The Three *Rogation Days*, being the *Monday*, *Tuesday*, and *Wednesday*, before *Holy Thursday*, or the *Ascension* of our LORD.

IV. All the *Fridays* in the Year, except CHRISTMAS DAY.

SOLEMN DAYS

FOR WHICH PARTICULAR SERVICES ARE APPOINTED

The Anniversary of the Accession of the Reigning Sovereign; Dominion Day; *and*

The Day to be observed as the Day of National Thanksgiving to Almighty God.

A TABLE

CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF SERVICES

WHEN TWO FEASTS OR HOLY-DAYS FALL UPON THE SAME DAY

WHEN two Feasts or Holy-days fall upon the same day, then, ordinarily, the days set out in the column to the left of the Table following shall be held to take precedence of those in the column to the right; and the Services appointed for the days set out in the column to the right shall either be transferred as therein directed, or be altogether pretermitted for that year.

First Sunday in Advent.	*St Andrew*, transferred to Monday.
Fourth Sunday in Advent.	*St Thomas*, transferred to Monday.
First Sunday after Christmas.	*St Stephen, St John the Evangelist, Innocents' Day.*
Circumcision.	*First Sunday after Christmas.*
Epiphany.	*Second Sunday after Christmas.*
Conversion of St Paul.*	*Third Sunday after Epiphany.*
Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*	*Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.*
Septuagesima and *Sexagesima.*	*Conversion of St Paul*, transferred to Monday.
Sexagesima, Quinquagesima, Ash Wednesday, Sundays in Lent.	*St Matthias*, transferred to next day.
Third, fourth and *fifth Sundays in Lent.*	*Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, transferred to Monday following.
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and *Thursday next before Easter, Good Friday, Easter Eve, Easter Day, Easter Monday* and *Tuesday.*	*Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, transferred to Monday after first Sunday after Easter.
Easter Day and *seven days after.*	*St Mark, St Philip and St James*, transferred to Monday after first Sunday after Easter.
St Mark, St Philip and St James*.*	*Second, third, fourth* and *fifth Sundays after Easter.*
Ascension Day.	*St Philip and St James*, transferred to Friday.
Whitsunday to *Trinity Sunday.*	*St Barnabas*, transferred to Monday after Trinity Sunday.
Transfiguration of our Lord.	*Sundays after Trinity.*
St Barnabas and *all other Holy-days till All Saints' Day*, inclusive*.	*Sundays after Trinity.*

* The Collect of the Sunday will follow that of the day. On great Festivals, no other Collect should be used except the Collect of the Day.

A TABLE OF THE MOVEABLE FEASTS

YEAR OF OUR LORD	GOLDEN NUMBER	THE EPACT	SUNDAY LETTER	SUNDAYS AFTER EPIPHANY	SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY	THE FIRST DAY OF LENT
1901	II	10	F	Three	Feb. 3	Feb. 20
1902	III	21	E	Two	Jan. 26	— 12
1903	IV	2	D	Four	Feb. 8	— 25
1904	V	13	CB	Three	Jan. 31	— 17
1905	VI	24	A	Six	Feb. 19	Mar. 8
1906	VII	5	G	Five	— 11	Feb. 28
1907	VIII	16	F	Two	Jan. 27	— 13
1908	IX	27	ED	Five	Feb. 16	Mar. 4
1909	X	8	C	Four	— 7	Feb. 24
1910	XI	19	B	Two	Jan. 23	— 9
1911	XII	0	A	Five	Feb. 12	Mar. 1
1912	XIII	11	GF	Four	— 4	Feb. 21
1913	XIV	22	E	One	Jan. 19	— 5
1914	XV	3	D	Four	Feb. 8	— 25
1915	XVI	14	C	Three	Jan. 31	— 17
1916	XVII	25	BA	Six	Feb. 20	Mar. 8
1917	XVIII	6	G	Four	— 4	Feb. 21
1918	XIX	17	F	Two	Jan. 27	— 13
1919	I	29	E	Five	Feb. 16	Mar. 5
1920	II	10	DC	Three	— 1	Feb. 18
1921	III	21	B	Two	Jan. 23	— 9
1922	IV	2	A	Five	Feb. 12	Mar. 1
1923	V	13	G	Three	Jan. 28	Feb. 14
1924	VI	24	FE	Five	Feb. 17	Mar. 5
1925	VII	5	D	Four	— 8	Feb. 25
1926	VIII	16	C	Three	Jan. 31	— 17
1927	IX	27	B	Five	Feb. 13	Mar. 2
1928	X	8	AG	Four	— 5	Feb. 22
1929	XI	19	F	Two	Jan. 27	— 13
1930	XII	0	E	Five	Feb. 16	Mar. 5
1931	XIII	11	D	Three	— 1	Feb. 18
1932	XIV	22	CB	Two	Jan 24	— 10
1933	XV	3	A	Five	Feb. 12	Mar. 1
1934	XVI	14	G	Three	Jan. 28	Feb. 14
1935	XVII	25	F	Five	Feb. 17	Mar. 6
1936	XVIII	6	ED	Four	— 9	Feb. 26
1937	XIX	17	C	Two	Jan. 24	— 10
1938	I	29	B	Five	Feb. 13	Mar. 2
1939	II	10	A	Four	— 5	Feb. 22
1940	III	21	GF	Two	Jan. 21	— 7
1941	IV	2	E	Four	Feb. 9	— 26
1942	V	13	D	Three	— 1	— 18
1943	VI	24	C	Six	— 21	Mar 10
1944	VII	5	BA	Four	— 6	Feb. 23
1945	VIII	16	G	Three	Jan. 28	— 14
1946	IX	27	F	Five	Feb. 17	Mar. 6
1947	X	8	E	Three	— 2	Feb. 19
1948	XI	19	DC	Two	Jan. 25	— 11
1949	XII	0	B	Five	Feb. 13	Mar. 2
1950	XIII	11	A	Four	— 5	Feb. 22

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YEAR OF OUR LORD	EASTER DAY	ROGATION SUNDAY	ASCENSION DAY	WHITSUNDAY	SUNDAYS AFTER TRINITY	ADVENT SUNDAY
1901	Apr. 7	May 12	May 16	May 26	Twenty-five	Dec. 1
1902	Mar. 30	— 4	— 8	— 18	Twenty-six	Nov. 30
1903	Apr. 12	— 17	— 21	— 31	Twenty-four	— 29
1904	— 3	— 8	— 12	— 22	Twenty-five	— 27
1905	— 23	— 28	June 1	June 11	Twenty-three	Dec. 3
1906	— 15	— 20	May 24	— 3	Twenty-four	— 2
1907	Mar. 31	— 5	— 9	May 19	Twenty-six	— 1
1908	Apr. 19	— 24	— 28	June 7	Twenty-three	Nov. 29
1909	— 11	— 16	— 20	May 30	Twenty-four	— 28
1910	Mar. 27	— 1	— 5	— 15	Twenty-six	— 27
1911	Apr. 16	— 21	— 25	June 4	Twenty-four	Dec. 3
1912	— 7	— 12	— 16	May 26	Twenty-five	— 1
1913	Mar. 23	Apr. 27	— 1	— 11	Twenty-seven	Nov. 30
1914	Apr. 12	May 17	— 21	— 31	Twenty-four	— 29
1915	— 4	— 9	— 13	— 23	Twenty-five	— 28
1916	— 23	— 28	June 1	June 11	Twenty-three	Dec. 3
1917	— 8	— 13	May 17	May 27	Twenty-five	— 2
1918	Mar. 31	— 5	— 9	— 19	Twenty-six	— 1
1919	Apr. 20	— 25	— 29	June 8	Twenty-three	Nov. 30
1920	— 4	— 9	— 13	May 23	Twenty-five	— 28
1921	Mar. 27	— 1	— 5	— 15	Twenty-six	— 27
1922	Apr. 16	— 21	— 25	June 4	Twenty-four	Dec. 3
1923	— 1	— 6	— 10	May 20	Twenty-six	— 2
1924	— 20	— 25	— 29	June 8	Twenty-three	Nov. 30
1925	— 12	— 17	— 21	May 31	Twenty-four	— 29
1926	— 4	— 9	— 13	— 23	Twenty-five	— 28
1927	— 17	— 22	— 26	June 5	Twenty-three	— 27
1928	— 8	— 13	— 17	May 27	Twenty-five	Dec. 2
1929	Mar. 31	— 5	— 9	— 19	Twenty-six	— 1
1930	Apr. 20	— 25	— 29	June 8	Twenty-three	Nov. 30
1931	— 5	— 10	— 14	May 24	Twenty-five	— 29
1932	Mar. 27	— 1	— 5	— 15	Twenty-six	— 27
1933	Apr. 16	— 21	— 25	June 4	Twenty-four	Dec. 3
1934	— 1	— 6	— 10	May 20	Twenty-six	— 2
1935	— 21	— 26	— 30	June 9	Twenty-three	— 1
1936	— 12	— 17	— 21	May 31	Twenty-four	Nov. 29
1937	Mar. 28	— 2	— 6	— 16	Twenty-six	— 28
1938	Apr. 17	— 22	— 26	June 5	Twenty-three	— 27
1939	— 9	— 14	— 18	May 28	Twenty-five	Dec. 3
1940	Mar. 24	Apr. 28	— 2	— 12	Twenty-seven	— 1
1941	Apr. 13	May 18	— 22	June 1	Twenty-four	Nov. 30
1942	— 5	— 10	— 14	May 24	Twenty-five	— 29
1943	— 25	— 30	June 3	June 13	Twenty-two	— 28
1944	— 9	— 14	May 18	May 28	Twenty-five	Dec. 3
1945	— 1	— 6	— 10	— 20	Twenty-six	— 2
1946	— 21	— 26	— 30	June 9	Twenty-three	— 1
1947	— 6	— 11	— 15	May 25	Twenty-five	Nov. 30
1948	Mar. 28	— 2	— 6	— 16	Twenty-six	— 28
1949	Apr. 17	— 22	— 26	June 5	Twenty-three	— 27
1950	— 9	— 14	— 18	May 28	Twenty-five	Dec. 3

A TABLE OF THE MOVEABLE FEASTS

YEAR OF OUR LORD	GOLDEN NUMBER	THE EPACT	SUNDAY LETTER	SUNDAYS AFTER EPIPHANY	SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY	THE FIRST DAY OF LENT
1951	XIV	22	G	Two	Jan. 21	Feb. 7
1952	XV	3	FE	Four	Feb. 10	— 27
1953	XVI	14	D	Three	— 1	— 18
1954	XVII	25	C	Five	— 14	Mar. 3
1955	XVIII	6	B	Four	— 6	Feb. 23
1956	XIX	17	AG	Three	Jan. 29	— 15
1957	I	29	F	Five	Feb. 17	Mar. 6
1958	II	10	E	Three	— 2	Feb. 19
1959	III	21	D	Two	Jan. 25	— 11
1960	IV	2	CB	Five	Feb. 14	Mar. 2
1961	V	13	A	Three	Jan. 29	Feb. 15
1962	VI	24	G	Six	Feb. 18	Mar. 7
1963	VII	5	F	Four	— 10	Feb. 27
1964	VIII	16	ED	Two	Jan. 26	— 12
1965	IX	27	C	Five	Feb. 14	Mar. 3
1966	X	8	B	Four	— 6	Feb. 23
1967	XI	19	A	Two	Jan. 22	— 8
1968	XII	0	GF	Five	Feb. 11	— 28
1969	XIII	11	E	Three	— 2	— 19
1970	XIV	22	D	Two	Jan. 25	— 11
1971	XV	3	C	Four	Feb. 7	— 24
1972	XVI	14	BA	Three	Jan. 30	— 16
1973	XVII	25	G	Six	Feb. 18	Mar. 7
1974	XVIII	6	F	Four	— 10	Feb. 27
1975	XIX	17	E	Two	Jan. 26	— 12
1976	I	29	DC	Five	Feb. 15	Mar. 3
1977	II	10	B	Four	— 6	Feb. 23
1978	III	21	A	Two	Jan. 22	— 8
1979	IV	2	G	Five	Feb. 11	— 28
1980	V	13	FE	Three	— 3	— 20
1981	VI	24	D	Five	— 15	Mar. 4
1982	VII	5	C	Four	— 7	Feb. 24
1983	VIII	16	B	Three	Jan. 30	— 16
1984	IX	27	AG	Six	Feb. 19	Mar. 7
1985	X	8	F	Three	— 3	Feb. 20
1986	XI	19	E	Two	Jan. 26	— 12
1987	XII	0	D	Five	Feb. 15	Mar. 4
1988	XIII	11	CB	Three	Jan. 31	Feb. 17
1989	XIV	22	A	Two	— 22	— 8
1990	XV	3	G	Five	Feb. 11	— 28
1991	XVI	14	F	Two	Jan. 27	— 13
1992	XVII	25	ED	Five	Feb. 16	Mar. 4
1993	XVIII	6	C	Four	— 7	Feb. 24
1994	XIX	17	B	Three	Jan. 30	— 16
1995	I	29	A	Five	Feb. 12	Mar. 1
1996	II	10	GF	Four	— 4	Feb. 21
1997	III	21	E	Two	Jan. 26	— 12
1998	IV	2	D	Four	Feb. 8	— 25
1999	V	13	C	Three	Jan. 31	— 17
2000	VI	24	BA	Six	Feb. 20	Mar. 8

FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS (II)

YEAR OF OUR LORD	EASTER DAY	ROGATION SUNDAY	ASCENSION DAY	WHITSUNDAY	SUNDAYS AFTER TRINITY	ADVENT SUNDAY
1951	Mar. 25	Apr. 29	May 3	May 13	Twenty-seven	Dec. 2
1952	Apr. 13	May 18	— 22	June 1	Twenty-four	Nov. 30
1953	— 5	— 10	— 14	May 24	Twenty-five	— 29
1954	— 18	— 23	— 27	June 6	Twenty-three	— 28
1955	— 10	— 15	— 19	May 29	Twenty-four	— 27
1956	— 1	— 6	— 10	— 20	Twenty-six	Dec. 2
1957	— 21	— 26	— 30	June 9	Twenty-three	— 1
1958	— 6	— 11	— 15	May 25	Twenty-five	Nov. 30
1959	Mar. 29	— 3	— 7	— 17	Twenty-six	— 29
1960	Apr. 17	— 22	— 26	June 5	Twenty-three	— 27
1961	— 2	— 7	— 11	May 21	Twenty-six	Dec. 3
1962	— 22	— 27	— 31	June 10	Twenty-three	— 2
1963	— 14	— 19	— 23	— 2	Twenty-four	— 1
1964	Mar. 29	— 3	— 7	May 17	Twenty-six	Nov. 29
1965	Apr. 18	— 23	— 27	June 6	Twenty-three	— 28
1966	— 10	— 15	— 19	May 29	Twenty-four	— 27
1967	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	— 4	— 14	Twenty-seven	Dec. 3
1968	Apr. 14	May 19	— 23	June 2	Twenty-four	— 1
1969	— 6	— 11	— 15	May 25	Twenty-five	Nov. 30
1970	Mar. 29	— 3	— 7	— 17	Twenty-six	— 29
1971	Apr. 11	— 16	— 20	— 30	Twenty-four	— 28
1972	— 2	— 7	— 11	— 21	Twenty-six	Dec. 3
1973	— 22	— 27	— 31	June 10	Twenty-three	— 2
1974	— 14	— 19	— 23	— 2	Twenty-four	— 1
1975	Mar. 30	— 4	— 8	May 18	Twenty-six	Nov. 30
1976	Apr. 18	— 23	— 27	June 6	Twenty-three	— 28
1977	— 10	— 15	— 19	May 29	Twenty-four	— 27
1978	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	— 4	— 14	Twenty-seven	Dec. 3
1979	Apr. 15	May 20	— 24	June 3	Twenty-four	— 2
1980	— 6	— 11	— 15	May 25	Twenty-five	Nov. 30
1981	— 19	— 24	— 28	June 7	Twenty-three	— 29
1982	— 11	— 16	— 20	May 30	Twenty-four	— 28
1983	— 3	— 8	— 12	— 22	Twenty-five	— 27
1984	— 22	— 27	— 31	June 10	Twenty-three	Dec. 2
1985	— 7	— 12	— 16	May 26	Twenty-five	— 1
1986	Mar. 30	— 4	— 8	— 18	Twenty-six	Nov. 30
1987	Apr. 19	— 24	— 28	June 7	Twenty-three	— 29
1988	— 3	— 8	— 12	May 22	Twenty-five	— 27
1989	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	— 4	— 14	Twenty-seven	Dec. 3
1990	Apr. 15	May 20	— 24	June 3	Twenty-four	— 2
1991	Mar. 31	— 5	— 9	May 19	Twenty-six	— 1
1992	Apr. 19	— 24	— 28	June 7	Twenty-three	Nov. 29
1993	— 11	— 16	— 20	May 30	Twenty-four	— 28
1994	— 3	— 8	— 12	— 22	Twenty-five	— 27
1995	— 16	— 21	— 25	June 4	Twenty-four	Dec. 3
1996	— 7	— 12	— 16	May 26	Twenty-five	— 1
1997	Mar. 30	— 4	— 8	— 18	Twenty-six	Nov. 30
1998	Apr. 12	— 17	— 21	— 31	Twenty-four	— 29
1999	— 4	— 9	— 13	— 23	Twenty-five	— 28
2000	— 23	— 28	June 1	June 11	Twenty-three	Dec. 3

THE ORDER FOR

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER

DAILY TO BE SAID AND USED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

THE Morning and Evening Prayer shall be used in the accustomed place of the Church, Chapel, or Chancel; except it shall be otherwise determined by the Ordinary of the place. And the Chancels shall remain as they have done in times past.

And here is to be noted, that such Ornaments of the Church, and of the Ministers thereof at all times of their Ministration, shall be retained, and be in use, as were in this Church of England by the Authority of Parliament, in the Second Year of the Reign of King Edward the Sixth.

¶ Upon any days except Sundays, Christmas Day, the Circumcision, the Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension Day, the Order for Morning or Evening Prayer may be shortened by the omission of the Venite (in Morning Prayer), of one or more Psalms (one Psalm at least, or one portion of the 119th Psalm, being always retained), of one Lesson, of one Canticle as appointed, of the Lesser Litany and the Lord's Prayer after the Creed, and of the Prayers following the Third Collect, except the Prayer of St Chrysostom and *The grace of our Lord* etc.

Note, That when this Shortened Form is used, the Minister may omit the Exhortation, or all words therein after *brethren* down to *I pray*, or else instead thereof he may say *Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.*

Note, That the permission granted to use the Shortened Form is hereby extended to Sundays and Holy-days, when the Minister shall deem it advisable on account of special circumstances. Such liberty, however, shall not be used without the written sanction and approval of the Bishop.

¶ The following Combinations of Services are permitted:—

1. Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.
2. Morning or Evening Prayer and Litany.
3. Litany and Holy Communion.
4. Morning Prayer, Litany, and Holy Communion.

Note. When taking the First, the Minister may end Morning Prayer with the Canticle after the First or the Second Lesson, or he may add the Salutation and *Let us pray*, followed by the Versicles and the Second and Third Collects. When the Litany is taken in Combination with any service, the Shortened Form of the Litany may be used. When taking the Fourth, the Minister may proceed to the Litany immediately after the Te Deum, saying *Let us pray.*

THE ORDER FOR

MORNING PRAYER

DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

¶ *AT the beginning of Morning Prayer the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these Sentences of the Scriptures that follow. And then he shall say that which is written after the said Sentences.*

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezek.* 18. 27.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. *Psalm* 51. 3.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm* 51. 9.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm* 51. 17.

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* 2. 13.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Dan.* 9. 9, 10.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jer.* 10. 24. *Psalm* 6. 1.

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against

heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St Luke* 15. 18, 19.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm* 143. 2.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *St John* 1. 8, 9.

The Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him. *Hab.* 2. 20.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him. *Psalm* 96. 9.

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him: and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. *Isaiah* 55. 6, 7.

Thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit. *Isaiah* 57. 15.

¶ *Sentences, which may be used before one or more of the preceding Sentences.*

Advent Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *St Matth.* 3. 2.

Christmas Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. *St Luke* 2. 10, 11.

Good Friday All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. *Isaiah* 53. 6.

Easter The Lord is risen indeed. *St Luke* 24. 34.

Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 *Corinthians* 15. 57.

Ascension Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews* 4. 14, 16.

Whitsunday It shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh. *Acts* 2. 17.

Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. *Acts* 1. 8.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgive-

ness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

¶ *A general Confession to be said of the whole Congregation after the Minister, all kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

¶ *The Absolution, or Remission of sins, to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing: the people still kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

¶ *The people shall answer here, and at the end of all other prayers,*

Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer with an audible voice: the people also kneeling, and repeating it with him, both here, and wheresoever else it is used in Divine Service.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O God, make speed to save us.
Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

¶ *Here, all standing up, the Priest shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.
Priest. Praise ye the Lord.
Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung this Psalm following; except on Christmas Day, Good Friday, Easter Day, Ascension Day, and Whitsunday, for which days Proper Anthems are to be found with the Collect of the day. On the nineteenth day of the month, the Psalm shall be omitted in the ordinary course of the Psalms.*

VENITE, EXULTEMUS DOMINO. Psalm 95.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship, and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and saw my works.

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said : It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways.

Unto whom I sware in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall follow the Psalms in order as they be appointed. And at the end of every Psalm throughout the year, and likewise in the end of Benedicite, Benedictus, Magnificat, and Nunc dimittis, shall be repeated,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be read distinctly with an audible voice the First Lesson, taken out of the Old Testament as is appointed in the Calendar: Except there be Proper Lessons assigned for that day: He that readeth so standing and turning himself, as he may best be heard of all such as are present.*

¶ *Note, That before every Lesson he that readeth shall say,* Here beginneth such a Chapter, *or* Verse of such a Chapter, of such a Book: *And after every Lesson,* Here endeth the First, *or* the Second Lesson.

¶ *After the first Lesson shall be said or sung in English the Hymn called* Te Deum Laudamus *daily throughout the year.*

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

WE praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud : the heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty;

Thine honourable, true : and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

THOU art the King of glory : O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.

O LORD, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

¶ *Or this Canticle,*

BENEDICITE, OMNIA OPERA.

O ALL ye Works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye Heavens, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye Waters that be above the Firmament, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O all ye Powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye Sun and Moon, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.
O ye Stars of Heaven, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Showers and Dew, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winds of God, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Fire and Heat, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winter and Summer, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Dews and Frosts, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Frost and Cold, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Ice and Snow, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Nights and Days, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Light and Darkness, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Lightnings and Clouds, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let the Earth bless the Lord : yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Mountains and Hills, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Wells, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Seas and Floods, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Fowls of the Air, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Beasts and Cattle, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Children of Men, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let Israel bless the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye holy and humble Men of heart, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Note, That the words* praise him, and magnify him for ever *may be sung at the end of each verse, or of each group of verses, as desired.*

¶ *Then shall be read in like manner the Second Lesson, taken out of the New Testament. And after that the Hymn following shall be said or sung, except when that shall happen to be read in the Lesson appointed for the day, or appointed for the Gospel on Saint John Baptist's Day.*

BENEDICTUS. St Luke 1. 68.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us : in the house of his servant David;
As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets : which have been since the world began;
That we should be saved from our enemies : and from the hands of all that hate us;
To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and to remember his holy covenant;
To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would give us;
That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies : might serve him without fear;
In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life.
And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;
To give knowledge of salvation unto his people : for the remission of their sins;
Through the tender mercy of our God : whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;
To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or this Psalm,*

JUBILATE DEO. Psalm 100.

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth :

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

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¶ *And after the Creed these prayers following, all devoutly kneeling: the Minister first pronouncing with a loud voice,*

The Lord be with you.
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Minister. Let us pray.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
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¶ *Then the Minister, Clerks, and people shall say the Lord's Prayer with a loud voice.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

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O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *The Third Collect, for Grace.*

O LORD our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; [**particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.*] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings

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of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

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ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

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THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

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THE ORDER FOR
EVENING PRAYER

DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

¶ *AT the beginning of Evening Prayer the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these Sentences of the Scriptures that follow. Then he shall say the Exhortation; but in Churches where Morning Prayer has been said, the words between* Dearly beloved brethren *and* I pray and beseech *may be omitted.*

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezek.* 18. 27.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. *Psalm* 51. 3.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm* 51. 9.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm* 51. 17.

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* 2. 13.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Dan.* 9. 9, 10.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jer.* 10. 24. *Psalm* 6. 1.

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against

heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St Luke* 15. 18, 19.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm* 143. 2.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *St John* 1. 8, 9.

The Lord is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him. *Hab.* 2. 20.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him. *Psalm* 96. 9.

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him: and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. *Isaiah* 55. 6, 7.

For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit. *Isaiah* 57. 15.

¶ *Sentences, which may be used before one or more of the preceding Sentences.*

Advent Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *St Matth.* 3. 2.

Christmas Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. *St Luke* 2. 10, 11.

Good Friday All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. *Isaiah* 53. 6.

Easter The Lord is risen indeed. *St Luke* 24. 34.

Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 *Corinthians* 15. 57.

Ascension Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews* 4. 14, 16.

Whitsunday It shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh. *Acts* 2. 17.

Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. *Acts* 1. 8.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgive-

ness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

¶ *A general Confession to be said of the whole Congregation after the Minister, all kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

¶ *The Absolution, or Remission of sins, to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing: the people still kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the people also kneeling, and repeating it with him.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

O Lord, open thou our lips.
Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
Priest. O God, make speed to save us.
Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

¶ *Here, all standing up, the Priest shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Priest. Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the Psalms in order as they be appointed. Then a Lesson of the Old Testament, as is appointed. And after that Magnificat (or the Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary) in English, as followeth.*

MAGNIFICAT. St Luke 1.

MY soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

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¶ *Or else this Psalm: Except it be on the nineteenth day of the month, when it is read in the ordinary course of the Psalms.*

CANTATE DOMINO. Psalm 98.

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord : for he cometh to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

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¶ *Then a Lesson of the New Testament, as it is appointed. And after that Nunc dimittis (or the Song of Simeon) in English, as followeth.*

NUNC DIMITTIS. St Luke 2. 29.

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;

Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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DEUS MISEREATUR. Psalm 67.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

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Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

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LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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THE CREED OF SAINT ATHANASIUS

(COMMONLY SO-CALLED)

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QUICUMQUE VULT.

WHOSOEVER would be saved : needeth before all things to hold fast the Catholick Faith.

Which Faith except a man keep whole and undefiled : without doubt he will perish eternally.

NOW the Catholick Faith is this : that we worship one God in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity;

Neither confusing the Persons : nor dividing the Substance.

For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son : another of the Holy Ghost;

But the Godhead of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost is all one : the glory equal, the majesty co-eternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son : and such is the Holy Ghost;

The Father uncreated, the Son uncreated : the Holy Ghost uncreated;

The Father infinite, the Son infinite : the Holy Ghost infinite;

The Father eternal, the Son eternal : the Holy Ghost eternal;

And yet there are not three eternals : but one eternal;

As also there are not three uncreated, nor three infinites : but one infinite, and one uncreated.

So likewise the Father is almighty, the Son almighty : the Holy Ghost almighty;

And yet there are not three almighties : but one almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son God : the Holy Ghost God;

And yet there are not three Gods : but one God.

So the Father is Lord, the Son Lord : the Holy Ghost Lord;

And yet there are not three Lords : but one Lord.

For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity : to confess each Person by himself to be both God and Lord;

So are we forbidden by the Catholick Religion : to speak of three Gods or three Lords.

The Father is made of none : nor created, nor begotten.

The Son is of the Father alone : not made, nor created, but begotten.

The Holy Ghost is of the Father and the Son : not made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.

There is therefore one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons : one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts.

And in this Trinity there is no before or after : no greater or less;

But all three Persons are co-eternal together : and co-equal.

So that in all ways, as is aforesaid : both the Trinity is to be worshipped in Unity, and the Unity in Trinity.

He therefore that would be saved : let him thus think of the Trinity.

FURTHERMORE it is necessary to eternal salvation : that he also believe faithfully the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now the right Faith is that we believe and confess : that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is both God and Man.

He is God, of the Substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds : and he is Man, of the Substance of his Mother, born in the world;

Perfect God : perfect Man, of reasoning soul and human flesh subsisting;

Equal to the Father as touching his Godhead : less than the Father as touching his Manhood.

Who although he be God and Man : yet he is not two, but is one Christ;

One, however, not by conversion of Godhead into flesh : but by taking of Manhood into God;

One altogether : not by confusion of Substance, but by unity of Person.

For as reasoning soul and flesh is one man : so God and Man is one Christ;

Who suffered for our salvation : descended into hell, rose again from the dead;

Ascended into heaven, sat down at the right hand of the Father : from whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

At whose coming all men must rise again with their bodies : and shall give account for their own deeds.

And they that have done good will go into

life eternal : they that have done evil into eternal fire.

THIS is the Catholick Faith : which except a man do faithfully and stedfastly believe, he cannot be saved.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *For the removal of doubts, and to prevent disquietude in the use of the Creed commonly called the Creed of St Athanasius, it is solemnly declared:*

1. *That the Confession of our Christian Faith, commonly called the Creed of St Athanasius, doth not make any addition to the Faith as contained in Holy Scripture, but warneth against errors which from time to time have arisen in the Church of Christ.*

2. *That as Holy Scripture in divers places doth promise life to them that believe, and declare the condemnation of them that believe not, so doth the Church, in this Confession, declare the necessity for all who would be in a state of salvation of holding fast the Catholick Faith, and the great peril of rejecting the same. Wherefore the warnings in this Confession of Faith are to be understood no otherwise than the like warnings in Holy Scripture; for we must receive God's threatenings, even as His promises, in such wise as they are generally set forth in Holy Writ. Moreover, the Church doth not herein pronounce judgement on any particular person or persons, God alone being the Judge of all.*

THE LITANY

¶ *A General Supplication, which may be sung or said on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and on the Rogation Days, and at other times when it shall be commanded by the Ordinary, after the Third Collect at Morning or Evening Prayer; or before the Administration of the holy Communion; or as a separate Service; provided that it shall always be used at least once a month on a Sunday.*

¶ *When the Litany is used as a separate Service, there may be also a Hymn, a Lesson, and a Sermon, at the discretion of the Minister.*

¶ *When the Litany is not used as a separate Service, the Minister may, at his discretion, except in time of war, omit all that followeth the Lord's Prayer, except the Prayer of St Chrysostom and* The grace of our Lord *etc.*

O GOD the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed

with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from fire and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God : and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy servant *GEORGE*, our most gracious King and Governor,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to rule his heart in thy faith, fear, and love, and that he may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be his defender and keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth and shew it accordingly,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to send forth labourers into thy harvest; to make thy saving health known unto all nations; and to hasten thy kingdom,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the

Governor-General of this Dominion, and the Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, with grace, wisdom, and understanding,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless the Parliaments of the Empire, and to direct their consultations to the honour of thy Name and the welfare of thy people,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep the King's forces by sea, and land, and air, and to shield them in all dangers and adversities,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and protect all who serve mankind by learning, labour, and industry,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with

the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God : we beseech thee to hear us.

Son of God : we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.
O Christ, hear us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, and the people with him, say the Lord's Prayer.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest. O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

Answer. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

Let us pray.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful: Mercifully assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, be brought to nought, and by the providence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

O GOD, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.
Graciously look upon our afflictions.
Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.
Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.
Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.
O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

Priest. O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us;

Answer. As we do put our trust in thee.

Let us pray.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A General Thanksgiving, to be used at the discretion of the Minister.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; [**particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.*] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies,

* This to be said when any that have been prayed for desire to return praise.

that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

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THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *Here endeth the Litany.*

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS
UPON SEVERAL OCCASIONS

PRAYERS. *To be used at Morning or Evening Prayer, after the Prayer for Clergy and People, or in the Litany after the Prayer* We humbly beseech thee.

THANKSGIVINGS. *To be used before the General Thanksgiving.*

PRAYERS

¶ *At the New Year.*

O IMMORTAL Lord God, who inhabitest eternity, and hast brought us, thine unworthy servants, to the beginning of another year: Pardon, we most humbly beseech thee, our transgressions in the past, and graciously abide with us all the days of our life; guard and direct us in all trials and temptations, that by thy blessing we may grow in grace as we grow in years, and at the last may finish our course with joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Unity.*

O GOD the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that, as there is but one Body, and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

one God and Father of us all; so we may henceforth be all of one heart, and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, who didst say unto thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: Regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Church, and grant unto it that peace and unity which is agreeable to thy will; who livest and reignest God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *For Missions.*

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give commandment to the Apostles that they should go into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature: Grant to us whom thou hast called into thy Church, a ready will to obey thy Word, and fill us with a hearty desire to make thy way known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Look with compassion upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the multitudes that are scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. Raise up, we pray thee, true and faithful men, to seek and find thy sheep dispersed and lost, and by thy help to bring them home to thy flock, that they may be saved forever; through the same thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

O GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh: Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Missionaries in our own Country.*

O MERCIFUL God, who didst send forth Apostles, Evangelists, Pastors, and Teachers, to preach the Gospel to every creature, and to build up thy Church: Grant thy heavenly grace to the Bishops and Clergy now labouring in the missionary districts of our own country, that they may faithfully minister thy Word and Sacraments, and make thy Church a praise in the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Missionaries in Distant Lands.*

O GOD, who willest that all men should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth: Prosper, we pray thee, our brethren who labour in distant lands [*especially those for whom our prayers are desired*]. Protect them in all perils by land and sea; support them in loneliness and in the hour of trial;

give them grace to bear faithful witness unto thee; and endue them with burning zeal and love, that they may turn many to righteousness, and finally obtain a crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For those about to be confirmed.*

O GOD, who through the teaching of thy Son Jesus Christ didst prepare the disciples for the coming of the Comforter: Make ready, we beseech thee, the hearts and minds of thy servants who at this time are seeking the gifts of the Holy Ghost through the laying on of hands, that, drawing near with penitent and faithful hearts, they may be filled with the power of his divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: We humbly commend unto thee those who are about to renew before the Church the solemn vows of their Baptism, and to seek thy heavenly grace in the laying on of hands. Guard them from the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and give them grace wholly to devote themselves unto thee, body, soul, and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *In the Ember Weeks, to be said every day, for those that are to be admitted into Holy Orders.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast purchased to thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of thy dear Son: Mercifully look upon the same, and at this time so guide and govern the minds of

thy servants the Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, that they may lay hands suddenly on no man, but faithfully and wisely make choice of fit persons to serve in the sacred Ministry of thy Church. And to those which shall be ordained to any holy function give thy grace and heavenly benediction; that both by their life and doctrine they may set forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders in thy Church: Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the benefit of thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For the Parish.*

O GOD the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful, sanctify this Parish by thine abiding presence. Bless those who minister in holy things. Enlighten the minds of thy people more and more with the light of the everlasting Gospel. Bring erring souls to the knowledge of God our Saviour; and those who are walking in the way of life, keep stedfast unto the end. Give patience to the sick and afflicted, and make their sufferings a blessing to them. Guard from forgetfulness of thee, those who are strong and prosperous;

and make us all to be fruitful in good works; O blessed Spirit, whom with the Father and the Son together we worship and glorify, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *For Sunday Schools.*

O HOLY Lord and Saviour, who didst call little children unto thee, and bless them: Guide, we pray thee, thy Church in the teaching of the young, that it may wisely order the work of our Sunday Schools, and strive earnestly to feed the lambs of thy flock. Grant alike to pastors and people to see and know the greatness of this work, and give us grace to fulfil it. Make us ever mindful of thy presence in our homes, that our children may be brought up in thy nurture and admonition. Give to our teachers aptness to teach, and to our scholars willingness to learn, thy blessed will. All this we ask in thy Name, O merciful Saviour, whom, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, we worship as one God, blessed for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *During the vacancy of a See.*

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts: Grant thy blessing, we humbly beseech thee, to the clergy and laity about to assemble [*or* now assembled] for the election of a Bishop; and give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that a chief pastor may be chosen who shall minister before thee to the glory of thy Name, the good government of the flock committed to his charge, and the welfare of thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *During the vacancy of a Pastoral Charge.*

O GOD, who knowest the needs of thy Church in every place: Look graciously at this time upon the people of this parish; and give to them a faithful pastor, who may serve before thee in all diligence and lowliness of heart, and, by thy blessing, bring many souls to the joys of thine eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For the Synods of the Church. To be used on two or more Sundays previous to each meeting of the Synod, as well as during the session.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who by thy Holy Spirit didst preside in the Council of the blessed Apostles, and hast promised, through thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with thy Church to the end of the world: We beseech thee to be present with the General Synod [*or* the Synod of this Province, *or* the Synod of this Diocese] now [*or* about to be] assembled in thy Name. Save them from all error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice; and of thy great mercy vouchsafe so to direct, govern, and sanctify them in their deliberations by thy Holy Spirit, that through thy blessing the Gospel of Christ may be faithfully preached and obeyed, the order and discipline of thy Church maintained, and the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ enlarged and extended. Grant this, we beseech thee, through the merits and mediation of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for the Parliament of the United Kingdom, for the Dominion Parliament and for the Provincial Legislatures; to be read during their session.*

MOST gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for this Empire in general, so especially for the High Court of Parliament, [the Parliament of this Dominion, and the Legislature of this Province,] under our most religious and gracious King at this time assembled: That thou wouldest be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of thy glory, the good of thy Church, the safety, honour, and welfare of our Sovereign and his Dominions; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations. These and all other necessaries, for them, for us, and thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the Name and Mediation of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

¶ *During Parliamentary and other elections.*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom: Guide and direct, we humbly beseech thee, the minds of all those who are called at this time to make choice of fit persons to serve in the ——. Grant that in the exercise of their choice they may promote thy glory, and the welfare of this Dominion [*or* Province *or* Municipality]. And this we beg for the sake of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *For Workmen and the Employers of Labour.*

O GOD, who in thy providence hast appointed to every man his work: We humbly beseech thee to put away all strife and contention between those who are engaged in the labours of industry and those who employ their labour; deliver them from all greed and covetousness; and grant that they, seeking only that which is just and equal, may live and work together in brotherly union and concord, to thy glory, their own well-being, and the prosperity of this Dominion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Rain.*

O GOD, heavenly Father, who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to all them that seek thy kingdom, and the righteousness thereof, all things necessary to their bodily sustenance: Send us, we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thy honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Fair Weather.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who art the author and giver of all good things, and who art merciful to us sinners beyond our deservings: Look upon us, we beseech thee, in thy loving-kindness, and grant to us at this time such fair weather that we may receive the fruits of the earth in their season, and learn by thy mercy to amend our

lives to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For fruitful seasons.*

(To be used on Rogation Days, and at other times.)

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast created the earth for man, and man for thy glory: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and be mindful of thy covenant; that both the earth may yield her increase, and the good seed of thy word may bring forth abundantly, to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Rogation Days.*

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Bless, we beseech thee, the labours of thy people, and cause the earth to bring forth her fruits abundantly in their season, that we may with grateful hearts give thanks to thee for the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *For a blessing on Fisheries.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who madest the sea and all that moveth therein: Bestow thy blessing, we beseech thee, on the harvest of the waters, that it may be abundant in its season; protect from every peril those who toil upon the deep, that they may with thankful hearts acknowledge thee, who art Lord of sea and land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *In the time of Dearth and Famine.*

O GOD, heavenly Father, whose gift it is that the rain doth fall, and the earth bring forth her increase: Behold, we beseech thee, the afflictions of thy people; increase the fruits of the earth by thy heavenly benediction; and grant that the present scarcity and dearth, which we most justly have deserved, may through thy goodness be mercifully turned into plenty; for the love of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *In the time of any common Plague or Sickness.*

O ALMIGHTY God, the Lord of life and death, have pity on us miserable sinners, now visited with great sickness [*and mortality*]. Withdraw from us, we pray thee, this grievous affliction. Teach us so to understand and obey thy laws, that under thy good providence we may live in health and well-being all our days. Enlarge our charity to relieve the distressed, and above all, bless this visitation to the welfare of thy people and the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Hospitals.*

ALMIGHTY God, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ went about doing good, and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people: Continue, we beseech thee, in our hospitals his gracious work; console and heal the sufferers; grant to the physicians and surgeons wisdom and skill, and to the nurses diligence and patience; prosper their work,

O Lord, and vouchsafe thy blessing to all who give of their substance for its maintenance; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For the recovery of a sick person.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, giver of life and health: We beseech thee to hear our prayers for thy servant *N.*, for whom we implore thy mercy, that by thy blessing upon *him* and upon those who minister to *him* of thy healing gifts, *he* may be restored, if it be thy gracious will, to health of body and mind, and give thanks to thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For those who travel.*

O GOD, our heavenly Father, who art present in thy power in every place: Preserve, we beseech thee, all who travel by land or by water; [*especially those for whom our prayers are desired;*] surround them with thy loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

O ETERNAL Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; who hast compassed the waters with bounds until day and night come to an end: Be pleased to receive into thine Almighty and most gracious protection the persons of us thy servants, and the ship in which we sail. Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, [*and from the violence of the enemy,*] that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the

land, with the fruits of our labours, and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies to praise and glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For the Forces of the King.*

O LORD of Hosts, stretch forth, we pray thee, thine Almighty arm to strengthen and protect the forces of our King in every peril of sea, and land, and air; shelter them in the day of battle, and in time of peace keep them safe from all evil; endue them ever with loyalty and courage; and grant that in all things they may serve as seeing Thee who art invisible; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *In the time of War.*

O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, the Lord of hosts, that rulest and commandest all things: Thou sittest in the throne judging right, and therefore we make our address to thy Divine Majesty in this our necessity, that thou wouldest take the cause into thine own hand, and judge between us and our enemies. Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come and help us; for thou givest not alway the battle to the strong, but canst save by many or by few. O let not our sins now cry against us for vengeance; but hear us thy poor servants begging mercy and imploring thy help, and that thou wouldest be a defence unto us against the face of the enemy. Make it appear that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

O ALMIGHTY God, King of all kings, and Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to them that truly repent: Save and deliver us, we humbly beseech thee, from the hands of our enemies; abate their pride, assuage their malice, and confound their devices; that we, being armed with thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify thee, who art the only giver of all victory; through the merits of thy only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A General Intercession.*

BE mindful, O Lord, of thy people bowed before thee, and of those who are absent through age, sickness, or infirmity. Care for the infants, guide the young, support the aged, encourage the faint-hearted, collect the scattered, and bring the wandering to thy fold. Travel with the voyagers, defend the widows, shield the orphans, deliver the captives, heal the sick. Succour all who are in tribulation, necessity, or distress. Remember for good all those that love us, and those that hate us, and those that have desired us, unworthy as we are, to pray for them. And those whom we have forgotten, do thou O Lord remember. For thou art the Helper of the helpless, the Saviour of the lost, the Refuge of the wanderer, the Healer of the sick. Thou, who knowest each man's need, and hast heard his prayer, grant unto each according to thy merciful loving-kindness and thy eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer that may be said after any of the former.*

O GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive: Receive our humble petitions, and, though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of thy great mercy loose us; for the honour of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *For Memorial Services, and other occasions.*

ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity: We praise and magnify thy holy Name for all thy servants who have finished their course in thy faith and fear; and we most humbly beseech thee that at the day of the general resurrection, we, and all they who are of the mystical body of thy Son, may be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice, Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O merciful Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for Help to bear Bereavement.*

O HEAVENLY Father, help us to trust our loved ones to thy care. When sorrow darkens our lives, help us to look up to thee, remembering the cloud of witnesses by which we are compassed about. And grant that we on earth, rejoicing ever in thy presence, may share with them the rest and peace which thy presence gives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVINGS

¶ *For Rain.*

O GOD our heavenly Father, who by thy gracious providence dost cause the former and the latter rain to descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of man: We give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee, in our great necessity, to send us at the last a joyful rain upon thine inheritance, and to refresh it when it was dry, to the great comfort of us thy unworthy servants, and to the glory of thy holy Name; through thy mercies in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For fair Weather.*

O LORD God, who hast in thy mercy relieved and comforted our souls by this seasonable and blessed change of weather: We yield thee hearty thanks for this thy goodness towards us, beseeching thee to give us grace to use this and all thy mercies to the honour and glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Plenty.*

O MOST merciful Father, who of thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of thy Church, and turned our dearth and scarcity into cheapness and plenty: We give thee humble thanks for this thy special bounty; beseeching thee to continue thy loving-kindness unto us, that our land may yield us her fruits of increase, to thy glory and our comfort; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For a safe return from Sea.*

O ETERNAL Father, who shewest thy wondrous power and mercy to those who go down to the sea in ships: We give thee humble thanks for that thou hast been pleased to preserve through the perils of the deep *this* thy *servant* who now *desireth* to offer *his* praises and thanksgivings unto thee in thy holy Church. Grant that *he* may be ever mindful of thy merciful providence towards *him*, and express *his* thankfulness by a living trust in thee, and obedience to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Victory.*

O ALMIGHTY God, the sovereign Commander of all the world, in whose hand is power and might which none is able to withstand: We bless and magnify thy great and glorious Name for this happy Victory, the whole glory whereof we do ascribe to thee, who art the only giver of Victory. And, we beseech thee, give us grace to improve this great mercy to thy glory, the advancement of thy Gospel, the honour of our Sovereign, and, as much as in us lieth, to the good of all mankind. And, we beseech thee, give us such a sense of this great mercy, as may engage us to a true thankfulness, such as may appear in our lives by an humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, as for all thy mercies, so in particular for this Victory and Deliverance, be all glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *For Peace and Deliverance from our Enemies.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies: We yield thee praise and thanksgiving for our deliverance from those great and apparent dangers wherewith we were compassed: We acknowledge it thy goodness that we were not delivered over as a prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy mercies towards us, that all the world may know that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For restoring Public Peace at Home.*

O ETERNAL God, our heavenly Father, who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house: We bless thy holy Name, that it hath pleased thee to appease the unhappy tumults which have been lately raised up amongst us: most humbly beseeching thee to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments; and leading a quiet and peaceable life, in all godliness and honesty, may continually offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these thy mercies towards us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Deliverance from the Plague, or other common Sickness.*

O LORD God, who hast wounded us for our sins, and consumed us for our transgressions, by thy late heavy and dreadful visitation; and now, in the midst of judgement remembering mercy, hast redeemed our souls from the jaws of death: We offer unto

thy fatherly goodness ourselves, our souls and bodies which thou hast delivered, to be a living sacrifice unto thee, always praising and magnifying thy mercies in the midst of thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

WE humbly acknowledge before thee, O most merciful Father, that all the punishments which are threatened in thy law might justly have fallen upon us, by reason of our manifold transgressions and hardness of heart: Yet seeing it hath pleased thee of thy tender mercy, upon our weak and unworthy humiliation, to assuage the contagious sickness wherewith we lately have been sore afflicted, and to restore the voice of joy and health into our dwellings: We offer unto thy Divine Majesty the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, lauding and magnifying thy glorious Name for such thy preservation and providence over us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A BIDDING PRAYER

¶ *Before Sermons, Lectures, and Homilies, the Preachers and Ministers may move the people to join with them in Prayer in this form or to this effect, as briefly as conveniently they may:*

LET us pray for Christ's holy Catholick Church; that is, for the whole congregation of Christian people dispersed throughout the world; and especially for that part of it to which we belong. And herein let us pray most especially for our Sovereign Lord *GEORGE*, of the United Kingdom of Great

Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, defender of the Faith; over all estates of men in these his dominions supreme; also for our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family. Let us pray for the Ministers of God's holy Word and Sacraments, as well the Archbishops and Bishops (especially *N.*, Bishop of this Diocese) as other pastors and teachers. Let us pray for the Governor-General of this Dominion, the Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, the Legislatures of the Empire (especially the Parliament of this Dominion and the Legislature of this Province), under our most Religious and Gracious King at this time assembled, and all that are set in authority over us; that all of them in their several callings may serve truly and faithfully to the glory of God, and the edifying and well-governing of his people; remembering always the strict and solemn account which they must one day give before the judgement seat of Christ. Let us likewise pray for all municipal authorities, especially those who bear office in this city [or *town*, or *district*]. And that there may never be wanting a supply of persons duly qualified to serve God both in Church and State, let us implore His blessing on all schools, and universities, and seminaries of religious and useful learning, (especially on .....,) that in these and all places set apart for God's honour and service, true religion and sound learning may forever flourish. Lastly, let us pray for all the people of this Dominion, that they may live in the true faith and fear of God, in humble obedience to the King, and in brotherly charity one to another; and

particularly for all who travel by land or sea; for all prisoners and captives; for all who are in sickness or in sorrow; for all who have fallen into grievous sin; for all who, through temptation, ignorance, helplessness, grief, trouble, dread, or the near approach of death, specially need our prayers.

Finally, let us yield unto God most high praise and hearty thanks for all those who are departed out of this life in the faith of Christ; and for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all his saints, who have been the chosen vessels of his grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations; and let us pray unto God that we may have grace to direct our lives after their good example, that, this life ended, we may be partakers with them of the glorious resurrection in the life everlasting. These prayers and praises let us humbly offer up before the throne of Heaven, in the words which Christ himself has taught us, saying:

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

THE

COLLECTS EPISTLES AND GOSPELS

TO BE USED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

¶ *Note, That the Collect appointed for every Sunday, or for any Holy-day that hath a Vigil or Eve, shall be said at the Evening Service next before.*

¶ *Note also, That the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel appointed for the Sunday shall serve all the week after, when it is not in this Book otherwise ordered.*

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life (in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility); that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *This Collect is to be repeated every day after the other Collects in Advent, until Christmas Eve.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 13. 8.

OWE no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling

of the law. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 21. 1.

WHEN they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples, saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Prophet, saying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them, and brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna.

in the Highest. And when he was come into Jerusalem all the city was moved, saying, Who is this? And the multitude said, This is Jesus the Prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple; and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold doves; and said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

THE COLLECT.

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 15. 4.

WHATSOEVER things were written aforetime were written for our learning; that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like-minded one towards another, according to Christ Jesus: that ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. Now I say, that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth

of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers; and that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy Name. And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people. And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles, and laud him, all ye people. And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, in him shall the Gentiles trust. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 21. 25.

AND there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig-tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled: heaven and earth shall pass away; but my words shall not pass away.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

THE COLLECT.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 4. 1.

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgement: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing by myself, yet am I not hereby justified; but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts; and then shall every man have praise of God.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 11. 2.

NOW when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and

see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them. And blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in me. And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? a man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? a prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, raise up (we pray thee) thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Philip. 4. 4.

REJOICE in the Lord alway, and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving,

let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

THE GOSPEL. St John 1. 19.

THIS is the record of John, when the Jews sent Priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that Prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that Prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not: he it is who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose. These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, OR THE BIRTH-DAY OF CHRIST, COMMONLY CALLED

CHRISTMAS DAY*

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm,* O come, let us sing *etc., these Anthems shall be sung or said.*

BEHOLD a virgin shall conceive and bear a son: and shall call his name Immanuel. *Isaiah* 7. 14.

Unto us a child is born: unto us a son is given. *Isaiah* 9. 6.

In this was manifested the love of God toward us: because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world that we might live through him. 1 *St John* 4. 9.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ. *Ephesians* 1. 3.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

* *December* 25.

THE EPISTLE. Hebr. 1. 1.

GOD, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son? And again, when he bringeth in the first-begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him. And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom: Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: they shall perish, but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; and as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed; but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

THE GOSPEL. St John 1. 1.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father) full of grace and truth.

An Additional Collect for Christmastide.

O GOD, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thy only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that as we joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold him when he shall come again to be our Judge; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost now and ever. *Amen.*

SAINT STEPHEN'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here upon earth, for the testimony of thy truth, we may stedfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and, being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors, by the example of thy first Martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God to succour all those that suffer for thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall follow the Collect of the Nativity, which shall be said continually unto New Year's Eve.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 7. 55.

STEPHEN, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

* *December* 26.

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 23. 34.

BEHOLD, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes; and some of them ye shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city; that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

* *December* 27.

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

THE EPISTLE. 1 St John 1. 1.

THAT which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled of the word of life; (for the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, That God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

THE GOSPEL. St John 21. 19.

JESUS said unto Peter, Follow me. Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee? Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this

man do? Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? Follow thou me. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, That that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things, and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which if they should be written every one, I suppose, that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.

THE INNOCENTS' DAY*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths: Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith, even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Rev. 14. 1.

I LOOKED, and lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's Name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers

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harping with their harps: and they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no man could learn that song, but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women, for they are virgins: these are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth: these were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God, and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile; for they are without fault before the throne of God.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 2. 13.

THE Angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child, and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word; for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my Son. Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth; and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently inquired of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

THE SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Gal. 4. 1.

NOW I say, that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: but when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 1. 18.

THE birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and

not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost: and she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS; for he shall save his people from their sins. (Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a Virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.) Then Joseph, being raised from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife; and knew her not till she had brought forth her first-born son: and he called his name JESUS.

THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who madest thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man: Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit; that, our hearts, and all our members, being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey thy blessed will; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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THE EPISTLE. Rom. 4. 8.

BLESSED is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin. Cometh this blessedness then upon the circumcision only, or upon the uncircumcision also? For we say, that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness. How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision. And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised; that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised. For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 2. 15.

AND it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had

seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

¶ *The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall serve for every day after unto the Epiphany.*

THE EPIPHANY,*

OR

THE MANIFESTATION OF CHRIST TO THE GENTILES

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant, that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 3. 1.

FOR this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles; if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God, which is given me to you-ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery

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(as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ, by the Gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent, that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 2. 1.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he de-

manded of them, where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go, and search diligently for the young child, and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star which they saw in the east went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

¶ *The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall serve for every day after unto the next Sunday.*

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 12. 1.

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office; so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 2. 41.

NOW his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem, after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they

returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey, and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed. and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, and stature, and in favour with God and man.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 12. 6.

HAVING then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love, in honour preferring one another: not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you; bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one towards another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate.

THE GOSPEL. St John 2. 1.

AND the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. And there were set there six water-pots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three

firkins apiece. Jesus saith unto them, Fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was, (but the servants which drew the water knew,) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine, and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory, and his disciples believed on him.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 12. 16.

BE not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath; for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst,

give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 8. 1.

WHEN he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man, but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion beseeching him, and saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say unto this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no not in Israel. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way, and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the self-same hour.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 13. 1.

LET every soul be subject unto the higher powers; for there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. For for this cause pay ye tribute also; for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom

tribute is due, custom to whom custom, fear to whom fear, honour to whom honour.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 8. 23.

AND when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him. And behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us, we perish. And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him! And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine, feeding. So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And he said unto them, Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him that he would depart out of their coasts.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Coloss. 3. 12.

PUT on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any; even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 13. 24.

THE kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the

tares also. So the servants of the householder came, and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St John 3. 1.

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we

know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the devil: for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 24. 23.

THEN if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that (if it were possible) they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore, if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: Behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken. And then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven: and then

shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

THE SUNDAY CALLED SEPTUAGESIMA,

OR THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 9. 24.

KNOW ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things: now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 20. 1.

THE kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the market-place, and said unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny. And when they had received it, they murmured against the good-man of the house, saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong; didst not thou agree with me for a penny? Take that thine is, and go thy way; I will give unto this last even as unto thee. Is it

not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

THE SUNDAY CALLED SEXAGESIMA,

OR THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

THE COLLECT.

O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do: Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Cor. 11. 19.

YE suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak: howbeit, whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool,) I am more: in labours more abundant; in stripes above measure; in prisons more frequent; in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one; thrice was I beaten with rods; once was I stoned; thrice I suffered shipwreck; a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often; in perils of waters; in perils of robbers; in perils by mine own countrymen; in perils by the heathen; in perils in the city; in perils in the wilderness

in perils in the sea; in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness; in watchings often; in hunger and thirst; in fastings often; in cold and nakedness; besides those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 8. 4.

WHEN much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable: A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell by the way-side, and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock, and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundred-fold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be? And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the way-side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe, and be saved. They on the rock are

they which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares, and riches, and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

THE SUNDAY CALLED QUINQUAGESIMA,

OR THE NEXT SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee: Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 13. 1.

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth

me nothing. Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 18. 31.

THEN Jesus took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man shall be accomplished. For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on: and they shall scourge him, and put him to death; and the third day he shall rise again. And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken. And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a

certain blind man sat by the way-side begging: and hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him, saying, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight; thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

THE FIRST DAY OF LENT,

COMMONLY CALLED

ASH WEDNESDAY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *This Collect is to be read every day in Lent after the Collect appointed for the day.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Joel 2. 12.

TURN ye even to me, saith the Lord, with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning. And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. Who knoweth if he will return, and repent, and leave a blessing behind him, even a meat-offering and a drink-offering unto the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts; let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet; let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 6. 16.

WHEN ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face, that thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but

lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Cor. 6. 1.

WE then, as workers together with him, beseech you also, that ye receive not the grace of God in vain; (for he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation;) giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed; but in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God; by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the

left; by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 4. 1.

THEN was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an-hungred. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down; for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee, and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth him, and behold, angels came and ministered unto him.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Thess. 4. 1.

WE beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk, and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God; that no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter; because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his Holy Spirit.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 15. 21.

JESUS went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is

grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent, but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord; yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 5. 1.

BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named amongst you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish-talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient; but

rather giving of thanks: for this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ, and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them: for ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light; (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, and righteousness, and truth;) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them: for it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 11. 14.

JESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. And others, tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say, that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils,

by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace; but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in, and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lift up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked. But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE EPISTLE. Gal. 4. 21.

TELL me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bond-maid, the other by a free-woman. But he who was of the bond-woman was born after the flesh; but he of the free-woman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free; which is the mother of us all. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit; even so it is now. Nevertheless, what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bond-woman and her son; for the son of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the son of the free-woman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bond-woman, but of the free.

THE GOSPEL. St John 6. 1.

JESUS went over the sea of Galilee, which is the sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples. And the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh.

When Jesus then lift up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? (And this he said to prove him; for he himself knew what he would do.) Philip answered him, Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes, as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE EPISTLE. Hebr. 9. 11.

CHRIST being come an High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands; that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves; but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh; how much more shall the blood of Christ, who, through the eternal Spirit, offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause he is the Mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

THE GOSPEL. St John 8. 46.

JESUS said, Which of you convinceth me of sin? and if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God heareth God's words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well, that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me. And I seek not mine own glory; there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil: Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a

man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death. Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself? Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing; it is my Father that honoureth me, of whom ye say, that he is your God: yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you; but I know him, and keep his saying. Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day, and he saw it, and was glad. Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER,

COMMONLY CALLED

PALM SUNDAY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE EASTER

THE EPISTLE. Philip. 2. 5.

LET this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 27. 1.

WHEN the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus, to put him to death. And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. Then Judas who had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, I have sinned, in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury

strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day. (Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value, and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.) And Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, Thou sayest. And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Then saith Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee? And he answered him to never a word, insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly. Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ? For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. When he was set down on the judgement-seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him. But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done?

But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children. Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus he delivered him to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews. And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him. And as they came out they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; him they compelled to bear his cross. And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, they gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. And sitting down they watched him there; and set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then were there two thieves crucified with him; one

on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads, and saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself: if thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said, He saved others, himself he cannot save: if he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, *Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?* that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And behold, the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent, and the graves were opened, and many bodies of saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

MONDAY BEFORE EASTER

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isai. 63. 1.

WHO is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the wine-fat? I have trodden the wine-press alone, and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury, and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me, and my fury it upheld me. And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth. I will mention the loving-kindnesses of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord,

according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness towards the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them, according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his loving-kindnesses. For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: so he was their Saviour. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love, and in his pity, he redeemed them, and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled, and vexed his Holy Spirit; therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them. Then he remembered the days of old, Moses and his people, saying, Where is he that brought them up out of the sea with the shepherd of his flock? where is he that put his Holy Spirit within him? that led them by the right hand of Moses, with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name? that led them through the deep as an horse in the wilderness, that they should not stumble? As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the Lord caused him to rest: so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name. Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory; where is thy zeal and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels, and of thy mercies towards me? Are they restrained? Doubtless thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: Thou, O Lord, art our Father, our Redeemer, thy name is from everlasting. O Lord, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways? and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine

inheritance. The people of thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary. We are thine: thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by thy name.

THE GOSPEL. St Mark 14. 1.

AFTER two days was the feast of the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death. But they said, Not on the feast-day, lest there be an uproar of the people. And being in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard, very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head. And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made? for it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor: and they murmured against her. And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me: for ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good; but me ye have not always. She hath done what she could; she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests to betray him unto them. And when they heard it they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might

conveniently betray him. And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare, that thou mayest eat the passover? And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water; follow him: and wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the good-man of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he will shew you a large upper-room furnished and prepared: there make ready for us. And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And in the evening he cometh with the twelve. And as they sat, and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me. And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, Is it I? and another said, Is it I? And he answered and said unto them, It is one of the twelve that dippeth with me in the dish. The Son of Man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed: good were it for that man if he had never been born. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body. And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the Kingdom of God. And when they had sung an

hymn they went out into the mount of Olives. And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But, after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all. And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy, and saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death; tarry ye here, and watch. And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what thou wilt. And he cometh and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour? Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation: the spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words. And when he returned he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him. And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough, the hour is come;

behold, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand. And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead him away safely. And as soon as he was come he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master; and kissed him. And they laid their hands on him, and took him. And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. And Jesus answered, and said unto them, Are ye come out as against a thief, with swords and with staves, to take me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the Scriptures must be fulfilled. And they all forsook him, and fled. And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body; and the young men laid hold on him: and he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked. And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes. And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest; and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire. And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death; and found none. For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together. And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying, We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands,

and within three days I will build another made without hands. But neither so did their witness agree together. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee? But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, I am; and ye shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses? ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death. And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands. And as Peter was beneath in the palace there cometh one of the maids of the high priest; and when she saw Peter warming himself she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew. And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is one of them. And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art one of them; for thou art a Galilæan, and thy speech agreeth thereto. But he began to curse and to swear, saying, I know not this man of whom ye speak. And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

TUESDAY BEFORE EASTER

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isai. 50. 5.

THE Lord God hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help me, therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? Let us stand together; who is mine adversary? let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord God will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? Lo, they all shall wax old as a garment: the moth shall eat them up. Who is among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the Lord, and stay upon his God. Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks; walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks

that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand, ye shall lie down in sorrow.

THE GOSPEL. St Mark 15. 1.

AND straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried him away, and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him, Thou sayest it. And the chief priests accused him of many things: but he answered nothing. And Pilate asked him again, saying, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee. But Jesus yet answered nothing: so that Pilate marvelled. Now at that feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired. And there was one named Barabbas, which lay bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection. And the multitude, crying aloud, began to desire him to do as he had ever done unto them. But Pilate answered them, saying, Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews? For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for envy. But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them. And Pilate answered, and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do unto him whom ye call the King of the Jews? And they cried out again, Crucify him. Then Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out the more exceedingly, Crucify him. And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when

he had scourged him, to be crucified. And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Prætorium; and they call together the whole band. And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head: and began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews. And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him. And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross. And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh; but he received it not. And when they had crucified him they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him. And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS. And with him they crucify two thieves, the one on his right hand, and the other on his left. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors. And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself, and come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves, with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him. And

when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, *Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?* which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias. And one ran and filled a spunge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. And the vail of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.

WEDNESDAY BEFORE EASTER

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Hebr. 9. 16.

WHERE a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator: for a testament is of force after men are dead; otherwise it is of no strength at all whilst the testator liveth. Whereupon, neither the first testament was dedicated without blood: for when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people, according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book and all the people, saying, This is the blood of the testament, which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover, he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others: for then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world; but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement: so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 22. 1.

NOW the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people. Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve. And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the absence of the multitude. Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed. And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat. And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare? And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in. And ye shall say unto the good-man of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he shall shew you a large upper-room furnished; there make ready. And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And when the hour was come he sat down, and the twelve Apostles with him. And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the Kingdom of God. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I say

unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the Kingdom of God shall come. And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body, which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. But behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table. And truly the Son of Man goeth as it was determined; but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed. And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not; and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee both into prison and to death. And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the

cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me. And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing. Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one. For I say unto you, That this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end. And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough. And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives, and his disciples also followed him. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray, that ye enter not into temptation. And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down and prayed, saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless, not my will, but thine be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow, and said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. And while he yet spake, behold, a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of Man with a kiss? When they who were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with

the sword? And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. And he touched his ear, and healed him. Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders who were come to him, Be ye come out as against a thief, with swords and staves? When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness. Then took they him, and led him, and brought him into the high priest's house: and Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him, as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him. And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not. And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not. And about the space of one hour after, another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this fellow also was with him; for he is a Galilæan. And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly. And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him. And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee? And many other things blasphemously spake they against him. And

as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying, Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: and if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go. Hereafter shall the Son of Man sit on the right hand of the power of God. Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am. And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

THURSDAY BEFORE EASTER

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 11. 17.

IN this that I declare unto you, I praise you not; that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse. For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you, and I partly believe it. For there must be also heresies among you, that they who are approved may be made manifest among you. When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not

to eat the Lord's supper: for in eating every one taketh before other his own supper; and one is hungry, and another is drunken. What, have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the church of God, and shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not. For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat; this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily eateth and drinketh condemnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 23. 1.

THE whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, saying, That he himself is Christ a King. And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him, and said, Thou sayest it. Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people, I find no fault in this man. And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place. When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilæan. And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself was also at Jerusalem at that time. And when Herod saw Jesus he was exceeding glad; for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him. And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together; for before they were at enmity between themselves. And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the

people: and behold, I, having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him: No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him. I will therefore chastise him, and release him. For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast. And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas: (who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.) Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go. And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified: and the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed. And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will. And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus, turning unto them, said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Then shall they begin to say

to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death. And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified him; and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots. And the people stood beholding; and the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God. And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, and saying, If thou be the King of the Jews, save thyself. And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors, which were hanged, railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise. And it was about the sixth hour: and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the vail of the temple was rent in the midst. And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend

my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost. Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man. And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things that were done, smote their breasts and returned. And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

GOOD FRIDAY

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm,* O come, let us sing *etc., these Anthems shall be sung or said.*

BEHOLD the Lamb of God : which taketh away the sin of the world. *St John* 1. 29.

He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities : the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. *Isaiah* 53. 5.

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us : and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 1 *St John* 4. 10.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain : to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. *Revelation* 5. 12.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE COLLECTS.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live: Have mercy upon the Jews, thine ancient people, and upon all who reject and deny thy Son; take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Hebr. 10. 1.

THE law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices, which they offered year by year continually, make the comers thereunto perfect: for then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Wherefore, when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: in burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure: then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do thy will, O God. Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt-offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein, (which are offered by the law;) then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God: he taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified, through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering, and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his foot-stool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said

before, This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the vail, that is to say, his flesh; and having an High Priest over the house of God: let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) and let us consider one another to provoke unto love, and to good works; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

THE GOSPEL. St John 19. 1.

PILATE therefore took Jesus, and scourged him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews: and they smote him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying,

Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgement-hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Cæsar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Cæsar. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgement-seat, in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Cæsar. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified: and they took Jesus, and led him away. And he, bearing his cross, went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew, Golgotha: where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross; and the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am the King of the Jews. Pilate answered, What I have written, I have written. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the Scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus, his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son. Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother. And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home. After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath-day, (for that sabbath-day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs. But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. And again another Scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

EASTER EVEN

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that, through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St Peter 3. 17.

IT is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well-doing, than for evil-doing. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: by which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; which sometime were disobedient, when once the long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing; wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. The like figure whereunto, even baptism, doth also now save us, (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 27. 57.

WHEN the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple. He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre. Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests

and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch; go your way, make it as sure as you can. So they went and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

EASTER DAY

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm,* O come, let us sing *etc., these Anthems shall be sung or said.*

CHRIST our passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast;

Not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. 1 *Cor.* 5. 7.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin: but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Rom.* 6. 9.

Christ is risen from the dead : and become the first-fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death : by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die : even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 1 *Cor.* 15. 20.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Coloss. 3. 1.

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which

is idolatry: for which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: in the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

THE GOSPEL. St John 20. 1.

THE first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together; and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre; and he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie; and the napkin that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 10. 34.

PETER opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, and hanged on a tree: him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and

drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he who was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 24. 13.

BEHOLD, two of his disciples went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that while they communed together, and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden, that they should not know him. And he said unto them, What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word, before God and all the people: and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; and

when they found not his body, they came, saying that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said; but him they saw not. Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses, and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. And they drew nigh unto the village whither they went; and he made as though he would have gone further: but they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is towards evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures? And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 13. 26.

MEN and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent. For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath-day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him. And though they found no cause of death in him, yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre. But God raised him from the dead: and he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers, God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. And as concerning that he raised

him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David. Wherefore he saith also in another psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: but he whom God raised again saw no corruption. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins [illegible] by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses. Beware therefore, lest that come upon you which is spoken of in the prophets; Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 24. 36.

JESUS himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled, and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet. And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honey-comb. And he took it, and did eat before them. And he said unto them, These are the words

which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms concerning me. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, and said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things.

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St John 5. 4.

WHATSOEVER is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood: and it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father,

the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God, which he hath testified of his Son. He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar, because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life; and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son hath not life.

THE GOSPEL. St John 20. 19.

THE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut, where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St Peter 2. 19.

THIS is thank-worthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently; this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

THE GOSPEL. St John 10. 11.

JESUS said, I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth;

and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one flock, and one shepherd.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St Peter 2. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles; that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake; whether it be to the king, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them

that are sent by him, for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well-doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness; but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king.

THE GOSPEL. St John 16. 16.

JESUS said to his disciples, A little while and ye shall not see me; and again a little while and ye shall see me; because I go to the Father. Then said some of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while and ye shall not see me; and again a little while and ye shall see me; and, Because I go to the Father? They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? we cannot tell what he saith. Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye inquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while and ye shall not see me; and again a little while and ye shall see me? Verily, verily I say unto you, that ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman, when she is in travail, hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. St James 1. 17.

EVERY good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

THE GOSPEL. St John 16. 5.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me, and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But, because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will

reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement: of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgement, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit, when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. St James 1. 22.

BE ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass. For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall

be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

THE GOSPEL. St John 16. 23.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: the time cometh when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father. At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you; for the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father. His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb. Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God. Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe? Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me. These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

THE ASCENSION DAY

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm,* O come, let us sing *etc., these Anthems shall be sung or said.*

LIFT up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is the King of Glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of Glory. *Psalm* 24. 9.

Thou art gone up on high : thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts for men. *Psalm* 68. 18.

Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him : seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. *Hebrews* 7. 25.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 1. 1.

THE former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the Apostles whom he had chosen: to whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion, by many infallible proofs; being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God: and, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven, as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come, in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

THE GOSPEL. St Mark 16. 14.

JESUS appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be condemned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following.

¶ *The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall serve for every day after, unto the next Sunday, except upon the Feast of St Philip and St James.*

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God. world without end. *Amen.*

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

THE EPISTLE. 1 St Peter 4. 7.

THE end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God: if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth; that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St John 15. 26, and part of Chapter 16.

WHEN the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: and ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. But these things have I told you, that, when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them.

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm,* O come, let us sing *etc., these Anthems shall be sung or said.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things. *Psalm* 98. 1.

Christ being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost : hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. *Acts* 2. 33.

And because ye are sons : God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, Abba, Father. *Galatians* 4. 6.

We all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory : even as by the Spirit of the Lord. 2 *Corinthians* 3. 18.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

THE COLLECT.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 2. 1.

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilæans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

THE GOSPEL. St John 14. 15.

JESUS said unto his disciples, If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth, whom the

world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him, (not Iscariot,) Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words, and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for

the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.

MONDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK

THE COLLECT.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 10. 34.

THEN Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in

the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, and hanged on a tree: him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly: not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins. While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

THE GOSPEL. St John 3. 16.

GOD so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already; because he hath not believed in the

name of the only-begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK

THE COLLECT.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 8. 14.

WHEN the Apostles, which were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John; who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (for as yet he was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.) Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

THE GOSPEL. St John 10. 1.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep: to him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice, and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And, when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him; for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow; but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again; Verily, verily I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

TRINITY SUNDAY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity:

We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities; who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Rev. 4. 1.

AFTER this I looked, and behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. And immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne: and he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats; and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold: and out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of God. And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four living creatures full of eyes before and behind. And the first creature was like a lion, and the second creature like a calf, and the third creature had a face as a man, and the fourth creature was like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night,

saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, the four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are, and were created.

THE GOSPEL. St John 3. 1.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is every one

that is born of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things? Verily, verily I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness. If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not; how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things? And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man, who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St John 4. 7.

BELOVED, let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God

towards us, because that God sent his only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us; because he hath given us of his Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify, that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgement; because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment: he that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, that he who loveth God love his brother also.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 16. 19.

THERE was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate full of sores, and desiring to

be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died, and was buried: and in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy life-time receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they who would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham; but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, who never failest to help and govern them whom thou dost bring up in thy stedfast fear and love: Keep us, we beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St John 3. 13.

MARVEL not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer; and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him; how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed, and in truth. And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment. And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him: and hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 14. 16.

A CERTAIN man made a great supper, and bade many; and sent his servant at suppertime to say to them that were bidden, Come, for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So that servant came and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the high-ways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St Peter 5. 5.

ALL of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time; casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us into his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 15. 1.

THEN drew near unto him all the Publicans and sinners for to hear him. And the Pharisees and Scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them. And he spake this parable unto them, saying,

What man of you having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost. I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance. Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it? And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I had lost. Likewise, I say unto you, There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. *Amen.*

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 8. 18.

I RECKON that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope: because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 6. 36.

BE ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal, it shall be measured to you again. And he spake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master; but every one that is perfect shall be as his master. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but

perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St Peter 3. 8.

BE ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous; not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? But and if ye suffer

for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; but sanctify the Lord God in your hearts.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 5. 1.

IT came to pass that as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret, and saw two ships standing by the lake; but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land: and he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing; nevertheless, at thy word I will let down the net. And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes, and their net brake. And they beckoned unto their partners which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord. For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken; and so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not, from henceforth thou shalt catch men. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 6. 3.

KNOW ye not that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him; knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once; but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 5. 20.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven. Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill: and whosoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgement. But I say unto you, that whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgement: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell-fire. Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way, first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same: through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 6. 19.

I SPEAK after the manner of men, because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness, and to iniquity, unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness, unto holiness. For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death: but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE GOSPEL. St Mark 8. 1.

IN those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples unto him, and saith unto them, I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat: and if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way; for divers of them came from far. And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these men with bread here in the wilderness? And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven. And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before them; and they did set them before the people. And they had a few small fishes;

and he blessed, and commanded to set them also before them. So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets. And they that had eaten were about four thousand. And he sent them away.

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 8. 12.

BRETHREN, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh: for if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ: if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 7. 15.

BEWARE of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 10. 1.

BRETHREN, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud, and in the sea; and did all eat the same spiritual meat, and did all drink the

same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual rock that followed them; and that rock was Christ. But with many of them God was not well pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness. Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you, but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 16. 1.

JESUS said unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods. And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? Give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward. Then

the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig, to beg I am ashamed. I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord? And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty. Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore. And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light. And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness, that when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 12. 1.

CONCERNING spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed; and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God, who worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues. But all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 19. 41.

AND when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine

enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation. And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought, saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves. And he taught daily in the temple.

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 15 1.

BRETHREN, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand: by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all, that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried, and that

he rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures; and that he was seen of Cephas; then of the twelve: after that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep: after that, he was seen of James; then of all the Apostles: and last of all, he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. For I am the least of the Apostles, that am not meet to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 18. 9.

JESUS spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a Publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this Publican: I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the Publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Cor. 3. 4.

SUCH trust have we through Christ to Godward: not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God: who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. But if the ministration of death written and engraven in stones was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance, which glory was to be done away; how shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

THE GOSPEL. St Mark 7. 31.

JESUS, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, *Ephphatha*, that is, Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; and were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well; he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Gal. 3. 16.

TO Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ. And this I say, that the covenant that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come, to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. Now a mediator is not a mediator of one; but God is one. Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 10. 23.

BLESSED are the eyes which see the things that ye see. For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them. And behold, a certain Lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law?

how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right; this do, and thou shalt live. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour? And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain Priest that way, and, when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was; and, when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow, when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Gal. 5. 16.

I SAY then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led by the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they who do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh, with the affections and lusts.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 17. 11.

AND it came to pass, as Jesus went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: and they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go, shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass that, as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way, thy faith hath made thee whole.

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Gal. 6. 11.

YE see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand. As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 6. 24.

NO man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon. Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air; for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why

take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field how they grow: they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven; shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself: sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 3. 13.

I DESIRE that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that he

would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 7. 11.

AND it came to pass the day after, that Jesus went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people. Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. And he came and touched the bier; and they that bare him stood still: and he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak: and he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all, and they glorified God, saying, that a great Prophet is risen up among us, and that God hath visited his people. And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region round about.

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always prevent and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 4. 1.

I THEREFORE the prisoner of the Lord beseech you, that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 14. 1.

IT came to pass, as Jesus went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath-day, that they watched him. And behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy. And Jesus answering spake unto the Lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath-day? And they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go; and answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass, or an ox, fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath-day? And they could not

answer him again to these things. And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms, saying unto them, When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him; and he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room. But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that, when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee. For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Cor. 1. 4.

I THANK my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; even as the testimony of Christ

was confirmed in you; so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 22. 34.

WHEN the Pharisees had heard that Jesus had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, who was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The son of David. He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? If David then call him Lord, how is he his son? And no man was able to answer him a word; neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee: Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 4. 17.

THIS I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind; having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: who, being past feeling, have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; if so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: that ye put off, concerning the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore, putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more; but rather let him labour, working

with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil-speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. And be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 9. 1.

JESUS entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city. And behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed. And Jesus, seeing their faith, said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, be of good cheer, thy sins be forgiven thee. And behold, certain of the Scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth. And Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts? For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee? or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. And he arose, and departed to his house. But when the multitude saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, who had given such power unto men.

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 5. 15.

SEE then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs; singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 22. 1.

JESUS said, The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, who made a marriage for his son; and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding; and they would not come. Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner;

my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready; come unto the marriage. But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: and the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth; and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burnt up their city. Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they who were bidden were not worthy. Go ye therefore into the high-ways, and as many as ye shall find bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the high-ways, and gathered together all, as many as they found, both bad and good; and the wedding was furnished with guests. And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding-garment. And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither, not having a wedding-garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen.

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 6. 10.

MY brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth; and having on the breast-plate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked: and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance, and supplication for all saints; and for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the Gospel, for which I am an ambassador in bonds; that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

THE GOSPEL. St John 4. 46.

THERE was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judæa into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down and heal his son; for he was at the point of death. Then said Jesus

unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die. Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way, thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying, Thy son liveth. Then inquired he of them the hour when he began to amend: and they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth; and himself believed, and his whole house. This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judæa into Galilee.

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Philip. 1. 3.

I THANK my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he who hath begun a good work in you

will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ; even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the Gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgement: that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere, and without offence, till the day of Christ: being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise of God.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 18. 21.

PETER said unto Jesus, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, until seven times; but until seventy times seven. Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. The servant therefore fell down and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, which owed him an hundred pence; and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat,

saying, Pay me that thou owest. And his fellow-servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not; but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Philip. 3. 17.

BRETHREN, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross

of Christ; whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 22. 15.

THEN went the Pharisees and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk. And they sent out unto him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, what thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? shew me the tribute-money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE COLLECT.

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Coloss. 1. 3.

WE give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints; for the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the Gospel; which is come unto you, as it is in all the world, and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth. As ye also learned of Epaphras, our dear fellow-servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ; who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit. For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding: that ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and long-suffering with joyfulness; giving thanks unto the Father,

which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 9. 18.

WHILE Jesus spake these things unto John's disciples, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead; but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did his disciples. (And behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: for she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort, thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.) And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, he said unto them, Give place; for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn. But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose. And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT

THE COLLECT.

STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Jer. 23. 5.

BEHOLD, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgement and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, The Lord liveth, which brought up, and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north-country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

THE GOSPEL. St John 6. 5.

WHEN Jesus then lift up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? (And this he said to prove him; for he himself knew what he would do.) Philip answered him, Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes; but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he

distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes, as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

¶ *If there be twenty-six Sundays after Trinity, the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel appointed for the sixth Sunday after Epiphany shall be used on the twenty-fifth Sunday.*

If there be twenty-seven Sundays, the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel appointed for the fifth Sunday after Epiphany shall be used on the twenty-fifth Sunday; and the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel appointed for the sixth Sunday after Epiphany shall be used on the twenty-sixth Sunday.

And if there be fewer than twenty-five Sundays, the overplus shall be omitted: Provided that this last Collect, Epistle, and Gospel shall always be used upon the Sunday next before Advent.

SAINT ANDREW'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst give such grace unto thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him without delay: Grant unto us all, that we, being called by thy holy word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil thy holy commandments; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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THE EPISTLE. Rom. 10. 9.

IF thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him, in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him, of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! But they have not all obeyed the Gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you. But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me. But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 4. 18.

JESUS, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, (for they were fishers;) and he saith unto them, Follow me; and I will make you fishers of men. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him. And going on from thence he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in thy Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 2. 19.

NOW therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the

* *December* 21.

chief corner-stone; in whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord; in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

THE GOSPEL. St John 20. 24.

THOMAS, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side; and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord, and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 9. 1.

AND Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, and desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. And, as he journeyed, he came near Damascus, and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven. And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he, trembling and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth, and when his eyes were opened he saw

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no man; but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink. And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for behold, he prayeth, and hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias, coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem; and here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name. But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way; for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake. And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and, putting his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord, (even Jesus that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest,) hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales; and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized. And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus. And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God. But all that heard him were amazed, and said, Is not this he that destroyed them

which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests? But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 19. 27.

PETER answered and said unto Jesus, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundred-fold, and shall inherit everlasting life. But many that are first shall be last, and the last shall be first.

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE,

COMMONLY CALLED

THE PURIFICATION OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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PURIFICATION OF SAINT MARY

FOR THE EPISTLE. Mal. 3. 1.

BEHOLD, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple; even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in; behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts. But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap. And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness. Then shall the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years. And I will come near to you to judgement, and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the Lord of hosts.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 2. 22.

AND when the days of her purification, according to the law of Moses, were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord; (as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;) and to offer a sacrifice, according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtle-doves, or two young pigeons. And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation

of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law, then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also;) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed. And there was one Anna a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser; she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity: and she was a widow of about fourscore and four years; which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem. And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee to their own city Nazareth. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him.

SAINT MATTHIAS'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles: Grant that thy Church, being alway preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 1. 15.

IN those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of the names together were about an hundred and twenty,) Men and brethren, this Scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus: for he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem, insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein; and, His bishoprick let another take. Wherefore, of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken

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up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection. And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen; that he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place. And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven Apostles.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 11. 25.

AT that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him. Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY*

THE COLLECT.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isai. 7. 10.

MOREOVER, the Lord spake again unto Ahaz, saying, Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord. And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 1. 26.

AND in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a Virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the Virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women.

* *March* 25.

And when she saw him she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favour with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a Son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren: for with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

SAINT MARK'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark: Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

* *April* 25.

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 4. 7.

UNTO every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelists, and some Pastors and Teachers; for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come, in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body, unto the edifying of itself in love.

THE GOSPEL. St John 15. 1.

I AM the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are

clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

SAINT PHILIP AND SAINT JAMES'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that, following the steps of thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

* *May* 1.

SAINT PHILIP AND SAINT JAMES

THE EPISTLE. St James 1. 1.

JAMES, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting. My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not, and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering; for he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea, driven with the wind, and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways. Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted; but the rich in that he is made low; because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away. For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

THE GOSPEL. St John 14. 1.

AND Jesus said unto his disciples, Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for

you: and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest, and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him. Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself; but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me, that I am in the Father, and the Father in me; or else believe me for the very works' sake. Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it.

SAINT BARNABAS THE APOSTLE*

THE COLLECT.

O LORD God Almighty, who didst endue thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost: Leave us not, we beseech thee, destitute of thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 11. 22.

TIDINGS of these things came unto the ears of the Church which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch. Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad; and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord. Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the Church, and taught much people: and the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability,

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determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa: which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

THE GOSPEL. St John 15. 12.

THIS is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

SAINT JOHN BAPTIST'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance: Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching, and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

* *June* 24.

FOR THE EPISTLE. Isai. 40. 1.

COMFORT ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a high-way for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand for ever. O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain: O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid: say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God. Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 1. 57.

ELISABETH's full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son. And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her. And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father. And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John. And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name. And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called. And he asked for a writing-table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God. And fear came on all that dwelt round about them; and all these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill-country of Judæa. And all they that had heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, What manner of child shall this be? And the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began; that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; the oath which he sware

to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life. And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto his people, by the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us; to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit; and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel.

SAINT PETER'S DAY*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock: Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 12. 1.

ABOUT that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further

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to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.) And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him, intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people. Peter therefore was kept in prison; but prayer was made without ceasing of the Church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and the keepers before the door kept the prison. And behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison; and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals: and so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. And he went out and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city, which opened to them of his own accord; and they went out, and passed on through one street, and forthwith the angel departed from him. And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 16. 13.

WHEN Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I, the Son of man, am? And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist, some Elias, and others Jeremias, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE*

THE COLLECT.

GRANT, O merciful God, that as thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

* *July* 25.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 11. 27, and part of Chapter 12.

IN those days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa: which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 20. 20.

THEN came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him. And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father. And

when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who on the holy mount didst reveal to chosen witnesses thy well-beloved Son wonderfully transfigured: Mercifully grant unto us such a vision of his divine majesty, that we, being purified and strengthened by thy grace, may be transformed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St John 3. 1.

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And

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every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 17. 1.

AFTER six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, and was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him. Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid. And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE *

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst give to thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy Word: Grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, to love that Word which he believed, and both to

* *August* 24.

preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 5. 12.

BY the hands of the Apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people: (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch: and of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them: and believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women:) insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits; and they were healed every one.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 22. 24.

AND there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may

eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist: Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Cor. 4. 1.

THEREFORE seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; but have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. But if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God, in the face of Jesus Christ.

* *September* 21.

SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 9. 9.

AND as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him. And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came, and sat down with him and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS*

THE COLLECT.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully grant that, as thy holy Angels alway do thee service in heaven, so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Rev. 12. 7.

THERE was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon

* *September* 29.

was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea: for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 18. 1.

AT the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea. Woe unto the world because of offences: for it must needs be that offences come: but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh. Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee,

cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell-fire. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, that in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul: May it please thee that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 2 Tim. 4. 5.

WATCH thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an Evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them

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also that love his appearing. Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: for Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Take Mark and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus. The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee; and the books, but especially the parchments. Alexander the copper-smith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works. Of whom be thou ware also, for he hath greatly withstood our words.

THE GOSPEL St Luke 10. 1.

THE Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place whither he himself would come. Therefore said he unto them: The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Go your ways; behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes, and salute no man by the way. And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house. And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire.

SAINT SIMON AND SAINT JUDE, APOSTLES*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. St Jude 1.

JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called: Mercy unto you, and peace, and love be multiplied. Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you, that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation; ungodly men, turning the grace of our God unto lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgement of the great day. Even as Sodom

* *October* 28.

and Gomorrha, and the cities about them, in like manner giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

THE GOSPEL. St John 15. 17.

THESE things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord: if they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin. He that hateth me hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin; but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: and ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

ALL SAINTS' DAY*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Rev. 7. 2.

AND I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth, and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed; and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand, of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Nepthalim were sealed twelve thousand.

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Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.

After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders, and the four living creatures, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen; Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 5. 1.

JESUS, seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain; and when he was set, his disciples came unto him. And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the

meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peace-makers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

THE ROGATION DAYS

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Bless, we beseech thee, the labours of thy people, and cause the earth to bring forth her fruits abundantly in their season, that we may with grateful hearts give thanks to thee for the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. St James 5. 16.

CONFESS your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of

three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 7. 1.

JUDGE not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgement ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye. Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you. Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: for every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

THE EMBER DAYS

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders in thy Church: Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the benefit of thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 13. 1.

NOW there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 10. 17.

AND the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to

tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven. In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal him. And he turned him unto his disciples, and said privately, Blessed are the eyes which see the things that ye see: For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.

THE ORDER FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF

THE LORD'S SUPPER

OR

HOLY COMMUNION

¶ *SO many as intend to be partakers of the holy Communion shall signify their names to the Curate, at least some time the day before.*

And if any of those be an open and notorious evil liver, or have done any wrong to his neighbours by word or deed, so that the Congregation be thereby offended; the Curate, having knowledge thereof, shall call him and advertise him, that in any wise he presume not to come to the Lord's Table, until he have openly declared himself to have truly repented and amended his former naughty life, that the Congregation may thereby be satisfied, which before were offended; and that he have recompensed the parties, to whom he hath done wrong; or at least declare himself to be in full purpose so to do, as soon as he conveniently may.

The same order shall the Curate use with those betwixt whom he perceiveth malice and hatred to reign; not suffering them to be partakers of the Lord's Table, until he know them to be reconciled. And if one of the parties so at variance be content to forgive from the bottom of his heart all that the other hath trespassed against him, and to make amends for that he himself hath offended; and the other party will not be persuaded to a godly unity, but remain still in his frowardness and malice: the Minister in that case ought to admit the penitent person to the holy Communion, and not him that is obstinate. Provided that every Minister so repelling any, as is specified in this, or the next precedent paragraph of this Rubrick, shall be obliged to give an account of the same to the Ordinary within fourteen days after at the farthest. And the Ordinary shall proceed against the offending person according to the Canon.

¶ *The Table at the Communion time having a fair white linen cloth upon it, shall stand in the body of the Church, or in the Chancel, where Morning and Evening Prayer are appointed to be said. And the Priest standing at the north side of the Table shall say the Lord's Prayer with the Collect following, the people kneeling.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ *The Collect.*

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest, turning to the people, rehearse distinctly all the* TEN COMMANDMENTS: *and the people still kneeling shall after every Commandment ask God mercy for their transgression thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come, as followeth.*

Minister.

GOD spake these words, and said; I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them. For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep holy

the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

¶ *Or, he may rehearse instead of the Ten Commandments (which however shall be said at least once on Sunday, and on the great Festivals, when there is a Celebration of the holy Communion, and that always at the chief Service of the day), our Blessed Lord's summary of the Law as followeth.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

¶ *Then shall follow one of these two Collects for the King, the Priest standing as before, and saying,*

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite: Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the hearts of thy chosen servant *GEORGE*, our King and Governor, that he (knowing whose minister he is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory: and that we and all his subjects (duly considering whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Or,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of Kings are in thy rule and governance, and that thou dost dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to thy godly wisdom: We humbly beseech thee so to dispose and govern the heart of *GEORGE* thy servant, our King and Governor, that in all his thoughts, words, and works, he may ever seek thy honour and glory, and study to preserve thy people committed to his charge, in wealth, peace and godliness: Grant this, O merciful Father, for thy dear Son's sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be said the Collect of the day. And immediately after the Collect the Priest shall read the Epistle, saying,* The Epistle [*or,* The portion of Scripture appointed for the Epistle] is written in the—Chapter of—beginning at the—Verse. *And the Epistle ended, he shall say,* Here endeth the Epistle. *Then, the people all standing up, he shall read the Gospel, saying,* The Holy Gospel is written in the—Chapter of—beginning at the —Verse.

¶ *Here shall be sung or said,*

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

And, the Gospel ended, the people shall in like manner sing or say,

Thanks be to thee, O Lord.

¶ *Then shall be sung or said this Creed following, the people still standing as before.*

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made,

Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *Then the Curate shall declare unto the people what Holy-days, or Fasting-days, are in the week following to be observed. And then also (if occasion be) shall notice be given of the Communion; and the Banns of Matrimony published, and Excommunications and other ecclesiastical notices read. And nothing shall be proclaimed or published in the Church during the time of Divine Service, but by the Minister: nor by him any thing but what is prescribed in the Rules of this Book, or enjoined by the King, or by the Ordinary of the place.*

¶ *Then shall follow the Sermon, or one of the Homilies already set forth, or hereafter to be set forth, by authority.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest return to the Lord's Table, and begin the Offertory, saying one or more of these Sentences following, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.*

LET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *St Matth.* 5.

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth; where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven; where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal. *St Matth.* 6.

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the Law and the Prophets. *St Matth.* 7.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *St Matth.* 7.

Zacchæus stood forth, and said unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have done any wrong to any man, I restore four-fold. *St Luke* 19.

Who goeth a warfare at any time of his own cost? who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit thereof? or who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock? 1 *Cor.* 9.

If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great matter if we shall reap your worldly things? 1 *Cor.* 9.

Do ye not know that they who minister about holy things live of the sacrifice; and they who wait at the altar are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. 1 *Cor.* 9.

He that soweth little shall reap little; and he that soweth plenteously shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is

disposed in his heart, not grudging, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 *Cor.* 9.

Let him that is taught in the word minister unto him that teacheth, in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he reap. *Gal.* 6.

While we have time, let us do good unto all men; and specially unto them that are of the household of faith. *Gal.* 6.

Godliness is great riches, if a man be content with that he hath: for we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry any thing out. 1 *Tim.* 6.

Charge them who are rich in this world, that they be ready to give, and glad to distribute; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may attain eternal life. 1 *Tim.* 6.

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works, and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have shewed for his name's sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Hebr.* 6.

To do good and to distribute forget not; for with such sacrifices God is pleased. *Hebr.* 13.

Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? 1 *St John* 3.

Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man; and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee. *Tobit* 4.

Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little; for so gatherest thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity. *Tobit* 4.

He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and look, what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again. *Prov.* 19.

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Psalm* 41.

All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee. 1 *Chron.* 29.

And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering. *Exod.* 35.

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. *Acts* 20.

¶ *Whilst these Sentences are in reading, the Deacons, Churchwardens, or other fit person appointed for that purpose, shall receive the Alms for the Poor, and other devotions of the people, in a decent bason to be provided by the Parish for that purpose; and reverently bring it to the Priest, who shall humbly present and place it upon the holy Table*

¶ *And when there is a Communion, the Priest shall then place upon the Table so much Bread and Wine as he shall think sufficient. After which done, the Priest shall say,*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully [*to accept our alms and oblations, and*] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy

If there be no alms or oblations, then shall the words [of accepting our alms and oblations] *be left out unsaid.*

Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love. We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy servant *GEORGE* our King; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto his whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Minister giveth warning for the Celebration of the holy Communion, (which he shall always do upon the Sunday, or some Holy-day, immediately preceding,) after the Sermon or Homily ended, or else after the Nicene Creed, he may read this Exhortation following, or the first paragraph thereof, at his discretion; provided always, that he read the whole Exhortation upon some Sunday before Christmas Day, Easter Day, and Whitsunday, the people all standing.*

DEARLY beloved, on — day next I purpose, through God's assistance, to administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed the most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ; to be by them received in remembrance of his meritorious Cross and Passion, whereby alone we obtain remission of our sins, and are made partakers of the kingdom of heaven.

Wherefore it is our duty to render most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God our heavenly Father, for that he hath given his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual food and sustenance in that holy Sacrament. Which being so divine and comfortable a thing to them who receive it worthily, and so dangerous to them that will presume to receive it unworthily; my duty is to exhort you in the mean season to consider the dignity of that holy mystery, and the great peril of the unworthy receiving thereof; and so to search and examine your own consciences, and that not lightly, and after the manner of dissemblers with God: but so that ye may come holy and clean to such a heavenly Feast, in the marriage-garment required by God in holy Scripture, and be received as worthy partakers of that holy Table.

The way and means thereto is; First, to examine your lives and conversations by the rule of God's commandments; and whereinsoever ye shall perceive yourselves to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, there to bewail your own sinfulness, and to confess yourselves to Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life. And if ye shall perceive your offences to be such as are not only against God, but also against your neighbours; then ye shall reconcile yourselves unto them; being ready to make restitution and satisfaction, according to the uttermost of your powers, for all injuries and wrongs done by you to any other; and being likewise ready to forgive others that have offended you, as you would have forgiveness of your offences at God's hand; for otherwise the receiving of the holy Communion doth nothing else but increase your condemnation. Therefore if any of you be a blasphemer of God, an hinderer or slanderer of his Word, an adulterer, or be in malice, or envy, or in any other grievous crime, repent you of your sins, or else come not to that holy Table.

And because it is requisite, that no man should come to the holy Communion, but with a full trust in God's mercy, and with a quiet conscience; therefore if there be any of you, who by this means cannot quiet his own conscience herein, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other discreet and learned Minister of God's Word, and open his grief; that by the ministry of God's holy Word he may receive the benefit of absolution, together with ghostly counsel and advice, to the quieting of his conscience, and avoiding of all scruple and doubtfulness.

¶ *Or, in case he shall see the people negligent to come to the holy Communion, instead of the former, he shall use this Exhortation.*

DEARLY beloved brethren, on——I intend, by God's grace, to celebrate the Lord's Supper: unto which, in God's behalf, I bid you all that are here present; and beseech you, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, that ye will not refuse to come thereto, being so lovingly called and bidden by God himself. Ye know how grievous and unkind a thing it is, when a man hath prepared a rich feast, decked his table with all kind of provision, so that there lacketh nothing but the guests to sit down; and yet they who are called (without any cause) most unthankfully refuse to come. Which of you in such a case would not be moved? Who would not think a great injury and wrong done unto him? Wherefore, most dearly beloved in Christ, take ye good heed, lest ye, withdrawing yourselves from this holy Supper, provoke God's indignation against you. It is an easy matter for a man to say, I will not communicate, because I am otherwise hindered with worldly business. But such excuses are not so easily accepted and allowed before God. If any man say, I am a grievous sinner, and therefore am afraid to come: wherefore then do ye not repent and amend? When God calleth you, are ye not ashamed to say ye will not come? When ye should return to God, will ye excuse yourselves, and say ye are not ready? Consider earnestly with yourselves how little such feigned excuses will avail before God. They that refused the feast in the Gospel, because they had bought a farm, or would try their yokes of oxen, or because they were

married, were not so excused, but counted unworthy of the heavenly feast. I, for my part, shall be ready; and, according to mine Office, I bid you in the Name of God, I call you in Christ's behalf, I exhort you, as ye love your own salvation, that ye will be partakers of this holy Communion. And as the Son of God did vouchsafe to yield up his soul by death upon the Cross for your salvation; so it is your duty to receive the Communion, in remembrance of the sacrifice of his death, as he himself hath commanded: which if ye shall neglect to do, consider with yourselves how great injury ye do unto God, and how sore punishment hangeth over your heads for the same; when ye wilfully abstain from the Lord's Table, and separate from your brethren, who come to feed on the banquet of that most heavenly food. These things if ye earnestly consider, ye will by God's grace return to a better mind: for the obtaining whereof we shall not cease to make our humble petitions unto Almighty God our heavenly Father.

¶ *At the time of the Celebration of the Communion, the Communicants being conveniently placed for the receiving of the holy Sacrament, the Priest may say this Exhortation.*

DEARLY beloved in the Lord, ye that mind to come to the holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider how Saint Paul exhorteth all persons diligently to try and examine themselves, before they presume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith we receive that holy Sacrament; (for then we spiritually eat the flesh of Christ, and drink his blood; then we dwell in Christ, and Christ

in us; we are one with Christ, and Christ with us;) so is the danger great, if we receive the same unworthily. For then we are guilty of the Body and Blood of Christ our Saviour; we eat and drink our own condemnation, not discerning the Lord's Body. Judge therefore yourselves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord; repent you truly for your sins past; have a lively and stedfast faith in Christ our Saviour; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men; so shall ye be meet partakers of those holy mysteries. And above all things ye must give most humble and hearty thanks to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and man; who did humble himself, even to the death upon the Cross, for us miserable sinners, who lay in darkness and the shadow of death; that he might make us the children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life. And to the end that we should alway remember the exceeding great love of our Master and only Saviour Jesus Christ, thus dying for us, and the innumerable benefits which by his precious blood-shedding he hath obtained to us; he hath instituted and ordained holy mysteries, as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death, to our great and endless comfort. To him therefore, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, let us give (as we are most bounden) continual thanks; submitting ourselves wholly to his holy will and pleasure, and studying to serve him in true holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say to them that come to receive the holy Communion,*

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

¶ *Then shall this general Confession be made, in the name of all those that are minded to receive the holy Communion, by one of the Ministers; both he and all the people kneeling humbly upon their knees and saying,*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest (or the Bishop, being present,) stand up, and turning himself to the people, pronounce this Absolution.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.
St Matth. 11. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St John* 3. 16.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 *Tim.* 1. 15.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. 1 *St John* 2. 1.

¶ *After which the Priest shall proceed, saying,*

Lift up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table, and say,*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

These words [Holy Father] *must be omitted on Trinity Sunday.*

¶ *Here shall follow the proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed: or else immediately shall follow,*

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

PROPER PREFACES

¶ *Upon Christmas Day, and seven days after.*

BECAUSE thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon the Epiphany, and seven days after.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own marvellous light. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon Easter Day, and seven days after.*

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon Ascension Day, and seven days after.*

THROUGH thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his most glorious Resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon Whitsunday, and six days after.*

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth; giving them both the gift of tongues, and also boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have

been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *Upon the Feast of Trinity only.*

WHO art one God, one Lord; not one only Person, but three Persons in one Substance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

¶ *After each of which Prefaces shall immediately be sung or said,*

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say in the name of all them that shall receive the Communion this Prayer following.*

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the people, and take the Cup into his hands; he shall say the Prayer of Consecration, as followeth.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, [a]took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, [b]he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; [c]this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper [d]he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for [e]this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. *Amen.*

[a] *Here the Priest is to take the Paten into his hands:*

[b] *And here to break the Bread:*

[c] *And here to lay his hand upon all the Bread.*

[d] *Here he is to take the Cup into his hand:*

[e] *And here to lay his hand upon every vessel (be it Chalice or Flagon) in which there is any Wine to be consecrated.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister first receive the Communion in both kinds himself, and then proceed to deliver the same to the Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, in like manner, (if any be present,) and after that to the people also in order, into their hands, all meekly kneeling. And, when he delivereth the Bread to any one, he shall say,*

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

¶ *And the Minister that delivereth the Cup to any one shall say,*

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ *If the consecrated Bread or Wine be all spent before all have communicated, the Priest is to consecrate more according to the Form before prescribed: Beginning at* Our Saviour Christ in the same night, *&c. for the blessing of the Bread: and at* Likewise after Supper, *&c. for the blessing of the Cup.*

¶ *When all have communicated, the Minister shall return to the Lord's Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen cloth.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say the Lord's Prayer, the people repeating after him every petition.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *After shall be said as followeth.*

O LORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting

kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Note, That at the discretion of the Minister both the foregoing prayers may be used.*

¶ *Then shall be said or sung,*

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest (or Bishop if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of

God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *Collects to be said after the Offertory, when there is no Communion, every such day one or more; and the same may be said also, as often as occasion shall serve, after the Collects either of Morning or Evening Prayer, Communion, or Litany, by the discretion of the Minister.*

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking: We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Upon the Sundays and other Holy-days (if there be no Communion) may be said all that is appointed at the Communion, until the end of the general Prayer* For the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth *together with one or more of these Collects last before rehearsed, concluding with the Blessing.*

¶ *And there shall be no Celebration of the Lord's Supper, except there be a convenient number to communicate with the Priest, according to his discretion.*

¶ *And if there be not above twenty persons in the Parish of discretion to receive the Communion: yet there shall be no Communion, except three (or two at the least) communicate with the Priest.*

¶ *And in Cathedral and Collegiate Churches, and Colleges, where there are many Priests and Deacons, they shall all receive the Communion with the Priest every Sunday at the least, except they have a reasonable cause to the contrary.*

¶ *And to take away all occasion of dissension, and superstition, which any person hath or might have concerning the Bread and Wine, it shall suffice that the Bread be such as is usual to be eaten; but the best and purest Wheat Bread that conveniently may be gotten.*

¶ *And if any of the Bread and Wine remain unconsecrated, the Curate shall have it to his own use: but if any remain of that which was consecrated, it shall not be carried out of the Church, but the Priest, and such other of the Communicants as he shall then call unto him, shall, immediately after the Blessing, reverently eat and drink the same.*

¶ *The Bread and Wine for the Communion shall be provided by the Curate and the Church-wardens at the charges of the Parish.*

¶ *And note, That every Parishioner shall communicate at the least three times in the year, of which Easter to be one. And every Parishioner shall contribute regularly of his substance to the maintenance of the worship of God, according as God shall prosper him.*

¶ *After the Divine Service ended, the money given at the Offertory shall be disposed of to such pious and charitable uses, as the Minister and Church-wardens shall think fit. Wherein if they disagree, it shall be disposed of as the Ordinary shall appoint.*

¶ *Whereas it is ordained in this office for the Administration of the Lord's Supper, that the Communicants should receive the same kneeling; (which order is well meant, for a signification of our humble and grateful acknowledgement of the benefits of Christ therein given to all worthy Receivers, and for the avoiding of such profanation and disorder in the holy Communion, as might otherwise ensue;) yet, lest the same kneeling should by any persons, either out of ignorance and infirmity, or out of malice and obstinacy, be misconstrued and depraved: It is here declared, that thereby no Adoration is intended, or ought to be done, either unto the Sacramental Bread or Wine there bodily received, or unto any Corporal Presence of Christ's natural Flesh and Blood. For the Sacramental Bread and Wine remain still in their very natural substances, and therefore may not be adored; (for that were Idolatry, to be abhorred of all faithful Christians;) and the natural Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ are in Heaven, and not here; it being against the truth of Christ's natural Body to be at one time in more places than one.*

THE MINISTRATION OF

PUBLICK BAPTISM OF INFANTS

TO BE USED IN THE CHURCH

¶ *The Minister of the parish shall often admonish the people that they bring their children to baptism as soon as possible after birth, not later than the fourth or at furthest the fifth Sunday, unless upon a great and reasonable cause.*

¶ *The people are also to be admonished, that it is most fitting that Baptism should be administered upon Sundays, and other Holy-days, when the most number of people come together: as well for that the Congregation there present may testify the receiving of them that be newly baptized into the number of Christ's Church; as also because in the Baptism of Infants every man present may be put in remembrance of his own profession made to God in his Baptism, for which cause also it is expedient that Baptism be ministered in the vulgar tongue. Nevertheless, (if necessity so require) children may be baptized upon any other day.*

¶ *And note, That there shall be for every child to be baptized three sponsors: for every male, two Godfathers and one Godmother; and for every female, one Godfather and two Godmothers. Nevertheless, when three sponsors cannot be had, one Godfather and one Godmother shall suffice. Parents may be sponsors for their own children, if necessity so require.*

¶ *When there are children to be baptized, the parents shall give timely notice thereof to the Minister. He shall thereupon appoint the time for baptism, which shall be either immediately after the last Lesson, or after the third Collect, at Morning or Evening Prayer; or at such other time as he by his discretion shall appoint.*

¶ *The sponsors and the people, with the children, being ready at the Font, the Priest coming to the Font (which is then to be filled with pure Water), and standing there, shall say,*

HATH this Child been already baptized, or no?

¶ *If they answer,* No: *then shall the Priest proceed as followeth.*

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin, and that our Saviour Christ saith, none can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate and born anew of Water and of the Holy

Ghost: I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous mercy he will grant to *this Child* that thing which by nature *he* cannot have; that *he* may be baptized with Water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made *a living member* of the same.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray.

¶ *And here all the Congregation shall kneel.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, in the river Jordan, didst sanctify Water to the mystical washing away of sin: We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon *this Child*; wash *him* and sanctify *him* with the Holy Ghost; that *he*, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being stedfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *he* may come to the land of everlasting life, there to reign with thee world without end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the aid of all that need, the helper of all that flee to thee for succour, the life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead: We call upon thee for *this Infant*, that *he*, coming to

thy holy Baptism, may receive remission of *his* sin by spiritual regeneration. Receive *him*, O Lord, as thou hast promised by thy well-beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall have; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: So give now unto us that ask; let us that seek find; open the gate unto us that knock; that *this Infant* may enjoy the everlasting benediction of thy heavenly washing, and may come to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the people stand up, and the Priest shall say,*

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint Mark in the tenth chapter at the thirteenth verse.

THEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

¶ *After the Gospel is read, the Minister shall make this brief exhortation upon the words of the Gospel.*

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorteth all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by

his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he will likewise favourably receive *this* present *Infant*; that he will embrace *him* with the arms of his mercy; that he will give unto *him* the blessing of eternal life, and make *him partaker* of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards *this Infant*, declared by his Son Jesus Christ; and nothing doubting but that he favourably alloweth this charitable work of ours in bringing *this Infant* to his holy Baptism; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say:

¶ *A Thanksgiving to be said of the whole congregation after the Minister.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, We give thee humble thanks that thou hast vouchsafed to call us To the knowledge of thy grace and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *this Infant*, That *he* may be born again, And be made *an heir* of everlasting salvation; Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, Now and for ever. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest speak unto the Godfathers and Godmothers on this wise.*

DEARLY beloved, ye have brought *this Child* here to be baptized; ye have prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive *him*, to release *him* of *his* sin, to

sanctify *him* with the Holy Ghost, to give *him* the kingdom of heaven and everlasting life. Ye have heard also that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his Gospel, to grant all these things that ye have prayed for: which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform. Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, *this Infant* must also faithfully, for *his* part, promise by you that are *his* sureties, (until *he* come of age to take it upon *himself*,) that *he* will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his commandments.

I demand therefore,

DOST thou, in the name of this Child, renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Minister.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister.

WILT thou be baptized in this faith?

Answer. That is my desire.

Minister.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will, God being my helper.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in *this Child* may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in *him.* *Amen.*

Grant that all carnal affections may die in *him*, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *him.* *Amen.*

Grant that *he* may have power and strength, to have victory, and to triumph against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen.*

Grant that whosoever is here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they

should go teach all nations, and baptize them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy Congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that *this Child*, now to be baptized therein, may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Priest shall take the Child into his hands, and shall say to the Godfathers and Godmothers,*

Name this Child.

¶ *And then naming it after them (if they shall certify him that the Child may well endure it) he shall dip it in the Water discreetly and warily, saying,*

N. I BAPTIZE thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *But if they certify that the Child is weak, it shall suffice to pour Water upon it, saying the foresaid words,*

N. I BAPTIZE thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

WE receive this Child into the Congregation of Christ's flock, *and do sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner against sin, the world, and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

* *Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the Child's forehead.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *this Child is* regenerate and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *this Child* may lead the rest of *his* life according to this beginning.

¶ *Then shall be said, all kneeling,*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Infant* with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant that *he* being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that, as *he is* made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be *partaker* of his resurrection; so that finally, with all thy holy Church, *he* may be *an inheritor* of thine everlasting kingdom; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, all standing up, the Priest shall say to the Godfathers and Godmothers this exhortation following.*

FORASMUCH as *this Child hath* promised by you *his* sureties to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him: Ye must remember that it is your parts and duties to see that *this Infant* be taught, so soon as *he* shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise and profession *he hath* here made by you. And that *he* may know these things the better, ye shall call upon *him* to hear sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide that *he* may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that *this Child* may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a Christian life; remembering always, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that as he died and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin and rise again unto righteousness, continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

¶ *Then shall he add and say,*

YE are to take care that *this Child* be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as *he* can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and be further instructed in the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose.

¶ *Here may follow,*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *It is certain by God's Word, that children which are baptized, dying before they commit actual sin, are undoubtedly saved.*

¶ *To take away all scruple concerning the use of the sign of the Cross in Baptism; the true explication thereof, and the just reasons for the retaining of it, may be seen in the xxxth Canon, first published in the year MDCIV.*

¶ *When Baptism is administered at Morning or Evening Prayer, then all the prayers after the Third Collect may be omitted, except the Prayer of St Chrysostom and* The grace of our Lord *etc.*

THE MINISTRATION OF

PRIVATE BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

AND THE PUBLICK RECEIVING OF SUCH AS HAVE BEEN PRIVATELY BAPTIZED

¶ *The Curate of every Parish shall warn the people that without great cause and necessity they procure not their children to be baptized at home in their houses. But when need shall compel them so to do, then Baptism shall be administered on this fashion.*

¶ *First let the Minister of the Parish (or, in his absence, any other lawful Minister that can be procured) with them that are present call upon God, and say the Lord's Prayer, and so many of the Collects appointed to be said before in the form of Publick Baptism, as the time and present exigence will suffer. And then, the Child being named by some one that is present, the Minister shall pour Water upon it, saying these words;*

N. I BAPTIZE thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then, all kneeling down, the Minister shall give thanks unto God, and say,*

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate this Infant with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own Child by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And we humbly beseech thee to grant, that as *he* is now made partaker of the death of thy Son, so *he* may be also of his resurrection; and that finally, with the residue of thy Saints, *he* may inherit thine everlasting kingdom;

through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *And let them not doubt, but that the Child so baptized is lawfully and sufficiently baptized, and ought not to be baptized again. Yet nevertheless, if the Child which is after this sort baptized do afterward live, it is expedient that it be brought into the Church at the time appointed for Publick Baptism, to the intent that, if the Minister of the same Parish did himself baptize that Child, the Congregation may be certified of the true form of Baptism, by him privately before used. In which case he shall say thus,*

I CERTIFY you, that according to the due and prescribed Order of the Church, *at such a time, and at such a place*, before divers witnesses, I baptized this Child.

¶ *Then shall follow the Gospel as hereinafter provided, the Minister first saying* Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint Mark in the tenth chapter at the thirteenth verse.

¶ *But if the Child were baptized by any other lawful Minister, then the Minister of the Parish, where the Child was born or christened, shall examine and try whether the Child be lawfully baptized, or no. In which case, if those that bring any Child to the Church do answer that the same Child is already baptized, then shall the Minister examine them further, saying,*

BY whom was this Child baptized?

Who was present when this Child was baptized?

Because some things essential to this Sacrament may happen to be omitted through fear or haste, in such times of extremity; therefore I demand further of you,

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Was this Child baptized with water?
With what words was this Child baptized?

¶ *And if the Minister shall find by the answers of such as bring the Child, that all things were done as they ought to be; then shall not he christen the Child again, but shall receive him as one of the flock of true Christian people, saying thus,*

I CERTIFY you, that in this case all is well done, and according unto due order, concerning the baptizing of this Child; who being born in original sin, and in the wrath of God, is now, by the laver of Regeneration in Baptism, received into the number of the children of God and heirs of everlasting life: for our Lord Jesus Christ doth not deny his grace and mercy unto such infants, but most lovingly doth call them unto him, as the holy Gospel doth witness to our comfort on this wise:

St Mark 10. 13.

THEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

¶ *After the Gospel is read, the Minister shall make this brief exhortation upon the words of the Gospel.*

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorted all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he hath likewise favourably received this present Infant; that he hath embraced *him* with the arms of his mercy; and (as he hath promised in his holy Word) will give unto *him* the blessing of eternal life, and make *him* partaker of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore, we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father, declared by his Son Jesus Christ, towards this Infant, let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say the Prayer which the Lord himself taught us:

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, We give thee humble thanks that thou hast vouchsafed to call us To the knowledge of thy grace and faith in thee: Increase

this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to this Infant, That *he*, being born again, And being made an heir of everlasting salvation, Through our Lord Jesus Christ, May continue thy servant, and attain thy promise; Through the same our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, Now and for ever. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest demand the Name of the Child; which being by the Godfathers and Godmothers pronounced, the Minister shall say,*

DOST thou, in the name of this Child, renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of this world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Minister.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will, God being my helper.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

WE receive this Child into the Congregation of Christ's flock, and do*sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner against sin, the world, and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

* *The Priest shall make a Cross upon the Child's forehead.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that this Child is by Baptism regenerate and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *he* may lead the rest of *his* life according to this beginning.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say, all kneeling,*

WE yield thee most hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate this Infant with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own Child by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant that *he* being dead unto sin, and

living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that, as *he* is made partaker of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be partaker of his resurrection; so that finally, with all thy holy Church, *he* may be an inheritor of thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, all standing up, the Minister shall make this exhortation to the Godfathers and Godmothers.*

FORASMUCH as this Child hath promised by you *his* sureties to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him: Ye must remember that it is your parts and duties to see that this Infant be taught, so soon as *he* shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise and profession *he* hath made by you. And that *he* may know these things the better, ye shall call upon *him* to hear sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide that *he* may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that this Child may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a Christian life; remembering alway, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and be made like unto him; that as he died and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin and rise again unto righteousness, continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

YE are to take care that this Child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as *he* can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, and be further instructed in the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose.

¶ *But if they which bring the Infant to the Church do make such uncertain answers to the Priest's questions, as that it cannot appear that the Child was baptized with Water, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, (which are essential parts of Baptism,) then let the Priest baptize it in the form before appointed for Publick Baptism of Infants: Saving that at the dipping of the Child in the Font, he shall use this form of words.*

IF thou art not already baptized, *N.* I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

If no lawful Minister may be had, and the child be in danger of death, then let one of those present pour water upon him *and say:*

N. I BAPTIZE thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE MINISTRATION OF

BAPTISM TO SUCH AS ARE OF RIPER YEARS

AND ABLE TO ANSWER FOR THEMSELVES

¶ *When any such persons, as are of riper years, are to be baptized, timely notice shall be given to the Bishop, or whom he shall appoint for that purpose, a week before at the least; that so due care may be taken for their examination, whether they be sufficiently instructed in the principles of the Christian Religion; and that they may be exhorted to prepare themselves with Prayers and Fasting for the receiving of this holy Sacrament.*

¶ *And if they shall be found fit, then the Godfathers and Godmothers shall be ready to present them at the Font at the time appointed for Publick Baptism.*

¶ *And standing there, the Priest shall ask, whether any of the persons here presented be baptized, or no: If they shall answer* No; *then shall the Priest say thus,*

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin, (and that which is born of the flesh is flesh,) and they that are in the flesh cannot please God, but live in sin, committing many actual transgressions; and that our Saviour Christ saith none can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate and born anew of Water and of the Holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous goodness he will grant to *these persons* that which by nature *they* cannot have; that *they* may be baptized with Water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made living *members* of the same.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray.

(¶ *And here all the Congregation shall kneel.*)

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, in the river Jordan, didst sanctify the element of water to the mystical washing away of sin: We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon *these* thy *servants*; wash *them* and sanctify *them* with the Holy Ghost; that *they*, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being stedfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *they* may come to the land of everlasting life, there to reign with thee world without end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the aid of all that need, the helper of all that flee to thee for succour, the life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead: We call upon thee for *these persons*, that *they*, coming to thy holy Baptism, may receive remission of *their* sins by spiritual regeneration. Receive *them*, O Lord: and as thou hast promised by thy well-beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock,

and it shall be opened unto you: So give now unto us that ask; let us that seek find; open the gate unto us that knock; that *these persons* may enjoy the everlasting benediction of thy heavenly washing, and may come to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the people stand up, and the Priest shall say,*

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint John in the third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof: but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

¶ *After which he shall say this exhortation following.*

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the express words of our Saviour Christ, that except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Whereby ye may perceive the great necessity of this Sacrament, where it may be had. Likewise, immediately before his ascension into heaven, (as we read in the last chapter of Saint Mark's Gospel,) he gave command to his disciples, saying, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be condemned. Which also sheweth unto us the great benefit we reap thereby. For which cause Saint Peter the Apostle, when upon his first preaching of the Gospel many were pricked at the heart, and said to him and the rest of the Apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? replied and said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is to you and your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. And with many other words exhorted he them, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. For (as the same Apostle testifieth in another place) even Baptism doth also now save us, (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he will favourably receive *these* present *persons*, truly repenting, and coming unto him by faith; that he will

grant *them* remission of *their* sins, and bestow upon *them* the Holy Ghost; that he will give *them* the blessing of eternal life, and make *them partakers* of his everlasting kingdom.

Wherefore we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards *these persons*, declared by his Son Jesus Christ; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks to him, and say:

¶ *A Thanksgiving to be said of the whole congregation after the Minister.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, We give thee humble thanks that thou hast vouchsafed to call us To the knowledge of thy grace and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *these persons*, That *they* may be born again, And be made *heirs* of everlasting salvation; Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, Now and for ever. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest shall speak to the* persons *to be baptized on this wise.*

WELL-BELOVED, who are come hither desiring to receive holy Baptism, *ye* have heard how the Congregation hath prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive you and bless you, to release you of your sins, to give you the kingdom of heaven and everlasting life. *Ye* have heard also that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his holy Word, to grant all those things that we have prayed for; which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform.

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Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, *ye* must also faithfully, for your part, promise in the presence of these your witnesses, and this whole Congregation, that *ye* will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his commandments.

¶ *Then shall the Priest demand of each of the persons to be baptized, severally, these Questions following.*

Question.

DOST thou renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Question.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Question.

WILT thou be baptized in this faith?

Answer. That is my desire.

Question.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will endeavour so to do, God being my helper.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in *these persons* may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in *them*. *Amen.*

Grant that all carnal affections may die in *them*, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *them*. *Amen.*

Grant that *they* may have power and strength, to have victory, and to triumph against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen.*

Grant that *they*, being here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost: Regard, we beseech thee, the

supplications of this Congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that the *persons* now to be baptized therein may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest take each person to be baptized by the right hand, and placing him conveniently by the Font, according to his discretion, shall ask the Godfathers and Godmothers the Name; and then shall dip him in the water, or pour water upon him, saying,*

N. I BAPTIZE thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

WE receive this person into the Congregation of Christ's flock; and *do sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner against sin, the world, and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

* *Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the person's forehead.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *these persons are* regenerate and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *they* may lead the rest of *their* life according to this beginning.

¶ *Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer, all kneeling.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

WE yield thee humble thanks, O heavenly Father, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace and faith in thee; Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *these persons*; that, being now born again, and made *heirs* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, *they* may continue thy *servants*, and attain thy promises; through the same Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, everlastingly. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, all standing up, the Priest shall use this exhortation following; speaking to the Godfathers and Godmothers first.*

FORASMUCH as *these persons have* promised in your presence to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him: Ye must remember that it is your part and duty to put *them* in mind, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession *they have* now made before this Congregation, and especially before you *their* chosen witnesses. And ye are also to call upon *them* to use all diligence to be rightly instructed in God's holy Word; that so *they* may grow in grace,

and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and live godly, righteously, and soberly in this present world.

(¶ *And then, speaking to the new baptized* persons, *he shall proceed, and say,*)

AND as for you, who have now by Baptism put on Christ, it is your part and duty also, being made the *children* of God and of the light by faith in Jesus Christ, to walk answerably to your Christian calling, and as becometh the children of light; remembering always, that Baptism representeth unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that as he died and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin and rise again unto righteousness, continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

¶ *Here may follow,*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *It is expedient that every person, thus baptized, should be confirmed by the Bishop so soon after his Baptism as conveniently may be; that so he may be admitted to the holy Communion.*

¶ *If any persons not baptized in their infancy shall be brought to be baptized before they come to years of discretion to answer for themselves; it may suffice to use the Office for Publick Baptism of Infants, or (in case of extreme danger) the Office for Private Baptism; only changing the word* [Infant] *for* [Child *or* Person] *as occasion requireth.*

¶ *If it be doubtful whether one that is of riper years hath been duly baptized or not, the Priest shall baptize him in the form here appointed: Saving that he shall use this form of words,*

IF thou art not already baptized, *N.* I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *When an unbaptized person of riper years is in immediate danger of death, if he have satisfied the Minister as to his repentance, faith, and desire to be baptized, then Baptism may be administered in private on this fashion: First, let the Minister, with them that are present, call upon God, and say the Lord's Prayer, and so many of the Collects appointed to be said before in this form of Baptism as the time and present exigence will suffer. And then the Minister shall pour water upon him and say,*

N. I BAPTIZE thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then, all kneeling down, he shall further say the Thanksgiving beginning* We yield thee humble thanks, *and* The grace of our Lord *etc.*

A CATECHISM

THAT IS TO SAY

AN INSTRUCTION TO BE LEARNED OF EVERY PERSON BEFORE HE BE BROUGHT TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE BISHOP

THE COVENANT.

Question.

WHAT is your Name?

Answer. *N.* or *M.*

Question. Who gave you this Name?

Answer. My Godfathers and Godmothers in my Baptism; wherein I was made a member of Christ, the child of God, and an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven.

Question. What did your Godfathers and Godmothers promise then for you?

Answer. They did promise and vow three things in my name. First, that I should renounce the devil and all his works, the pomps and vanity of this wicked world, and all the sinful lusts of the flesh. Secondly, that I should believe all the articles of the Christian faith. And thirdly, that I should keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of my life.

Question. Dost thou not think that thou art bound to believe, and to do, as they have promised for thee?

Answer. Yes verily: and by God's help so I will. And I heartily thank our heavenly Father, that he hath called me to this state of salvation, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And I pray unto God to give me his grace, that I may continue in the same unto my life's end.

THE FAITH.

Catechist.

Rehearse the Articles of thy Belief.

Answer.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body. And the life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *Note, That the words in the Creed* He descended into hell *are considered as words of the same meaning as* He went into the place of departed spirits.

Question. What dost thou chiefly learn in these Articles of thy Belief?

Answer. First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me, and all the world.

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind.

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me, and all the elect people of God.

THE COMMANDMENTS.

Question.

You said that your Godfathers and Godmothers did promise for you, that you should keep God's Commandments. Tell me how many there be?

Answer. Ten.

Question. Which be they?

Answer.

THE same which God spake in the twentieth chapter of Exodus, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

I. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

II. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them. For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

IV. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work,

thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

V. Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt do no murder.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

Question.

What dost thou chiefly learn by these Commandments?

Answer. I learn two things: my duty towards God, and my duty towards my Neighbour.

Question. What is thy duty towards God?

Answer. My duty towards God is,

I. To believe in him, to fear him, and to love him, with all my heart, with all my mind, with all my soul, and with all my strength:

II. To worship him, to give him thanks, to put my whole trust in him, to call upon him:

III. To honour his holy Name and his Word:

IV. And to serve him truly all the days of my life.

Question. What is thy duty towards thy Neighbour?

Answer. My duty towards my Neighbour is to love him as myself, and to do to all men as I would they should do unto me:

V. To love, honour, and succour my father and mother: To honour and obey the King, and all that are put in authority under him: To submit myself to all my governors, teachers, spiritual pastors and masters: To order myself lowly and reverently to all my betters:

VI. To hurt nobody by word nor deed: To bear no malice nor hatred in my heart:

VII. To keep my body in temperance, soberness, and chastity:

VIII. To be true and just in all my dealing: to keep my hands from picking and stealing:

IX. And to keep my tongue from evil-speaking, lying, and slandering:

X. Not to covet nor desire other men's goods; but to learn and labour truly to get mine own living, and to do my duty in that state of life, unto which it shall please God to call me.

PRAYER.

Catechist.

My good child, know this, that thou art not able to do these things of thyself, nor to walk in the commandments of God, and to serve him, without his special grace; which thou must learn at all times to call for by diligent prayer. Let me hear therefore if thou canst say the Lord's Prayer.

Answer.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy

will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Question. What desirest thou of God in this Prayer?

Answer. In the Lord's Prayer, I desire my Lord God our heavenly Father, who is the giver of all goodness,

To send his grace unto me, and to all people:

That we may worship him, and serve him, and obey him as we ought to do:

And I pray unto God, that he will send us all things that are needful both for our souls and bodies:

That he will be merciful unto us, and forgive us our sins:

That it will please him to save and defend us in all dangers both of soul and body; and that he will keep us from all sin and wickedness, and from our spiritual enemy, and from everlasting death.

And this I trust he will do of his mercy and goodness, through our Lord Jesus Christ. And therefore I say, Amen, So be it.

THE SACRAMENTS.

Question.

HOW many Sacraments hath Christ ordained in his Church?

Answer. Christ has ordained two Sacraments only, as generally necessary to salvation; that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Question. What meanest thou by this word *Sacrament?*

Answer. By this word Sacrament, I mean an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace, given unto us, ordained by Christ himself, as a means whereby we receive the same, and a pledge to assure us thereof.

Question. How many parts are there in a Sacrament?

Answer. There are two parts in a Sacrament: the outward visible sign, and the inward spiritual grace.

Question. What is the outward visible sign or form in Baptism?

Answer. The outward visible sign or form in Baptism is Water: wherein the person is baptized, *In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.*

Question. What is the inward and spiritual grace?

Answer. The inward and spiritual grace in Baptism is, a death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness: for being by nature born in sin, and the children of wrath, we are hereby made the children of grace.

Question. What is required of persons to be baptized?

Answer. There is required of persons to be baptized repentance, whereby they forsake sin: and faith, whereby they stedfastly believe the promises of God, made to them in that Sacrament.

Question. Why then are infants baptized, when by reason of their tender age they cannot perform them?

Answer. Infants are baptized because they promise both repentance and faith by their

sureties: which promise, when they come to age, themselves are bound to perform.

Question. Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?

Answer. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was ordained for the continual remembrance of the sacrifice of the death of Christ, and of the benefits which we receive thereby.

Question. What is the outward part or sign of the Lord's Supper?

Answer. The outward part or sign of the Lord's Supper is, Bread and Wine, which the Lord hath commanded to be received.

Question. What is the inward part, or thing signified?

Answer. The inward part or thing signified in the Lord's Supper is, the Body and Blood of Christ, which are verily and indeed taken and received by the faithful in the Lord's Supper.

Question. What are the benefits whereof we are partakers in the Lord's Supper?

Answer. The benefits whereof we are partakers in the Lord's Supper are, the strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ, as our bodies are by the Bread and Wine.

Question. What is required of them who come to the Lord's Supper?

Answer. It is required of persons who come to the Lord's Supper, to examine themselves, whether they repent them truly of their former sins, stedfastly purposing to lead a new life; have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ, with a thankful remembrance of his death; and be in charity with all men.

A CATECHISM

¶ *The Curate of every Parish shall diligently, upon Sundays and Holy-days, or at such other times as he shall think convenient, instruct and examine the children of his parish in this Catechism; and it is most expedient that this should be done openly in the Church, from time to time, either after the second Lesson at Morning or Evening Prayer, or at some other fit time.*

¶ *And all Fathers, Mothers, Masters, Mistresses, and Guardians, shall cause their children, servants, apprentices, and wards, to come to such instruction at the time appointed.*

¶ *So soon as children are come to a competent age, and can say, in their mother tongue, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and also can answer to the other questions of this Catechism; they shall be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed. And, where possible, every one shall have a Godfather or Godmother as a Witness of their Confirmation.*

¶ *And whensoever the Bishop shall give knowledge for Children to be brought unto him for their Confirmation, the Curate of every Parish shall either bring or send in writing, with his hand subscribed thereunto, the names of all such persons within his Parish, as he shall think fit to be presented to the Bishop to be confirmed. And, if the Bishop approve of them, he shall confirm them in manner following.*

THE ORDER OF CONFIRMATION

OR LAYING ON OF HANDS UPON THOSE THAT ARE BAPTIZED AND COME TO YEARS OF DISCRETION

¶ *Upon the day appointed, all that are to be then confirmed, being placed and standing in order before the Bishop, the Minister shall present them unto the Bishop, and say,*

REVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons to receive the laying on of hands.

Bishop. Take heed that the persons whom ye present be duly prepared and meet to receive the laying on of hands.

Minister. I have instructed them and enquired of them and believe them so to be.

¶ *Then the Bishop, or some other Minister appointed by him, shall read this Preface following.*

DEARLY beloved, To the end that Confirmation may be ministered to the more edifying of such as shall receive it, the Church hath thought good to order that none hereafter shall be confirmed, but such as can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and can also answer to such other questions as in the Catechism are contained: and forasmuch as these persons present, being by baptism members of Christ' Church, are instructed and prepared as afore said, we are assembled together here to pray for them and to bless them by the laying on of hands. This order is very convenient to be observed for divers reasons.

First. Because it is evident from sundry places in holy Scripture that the Apostles prayed for and laid their hands upon those who were baptized; and the same is agreeable with the usage of the Church since the Apostles' time.

Secondly. In order that by prayer and laying on of hands they that are confirmed may be strengthened by the Holy Ghost.

Thirdly. In order that persons, having now come to the years of discretion, and being mindful of their bounden duty to acknowledge openly the vows made by them, or by their Godfathers and Godmothers for them, in baptism, they may themselves, with their own mouth and consent, openly before the Church, ratify and confirm the same; and also promise that by the grace of God they will evermore endeavour faithfully to observe such things as they by their own confession have assented unto.

¶ *Then the Bishop, or some Minister appointed by him, shall say,*

HEAR the words of holy Scripture written in the eighth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the fifth verse.

AND Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and proclaimed unto them the Christ. And the multitudes gave heed with one accord unto the things that were spoken by Philip, when they heard, and saw the signs which he did. For from many of those which had unclean spirits, they came out, crying with a loud voice: and many that were palsied, and that were lame, were healed. And there was much joy in that city. But when they believed Philip preaching good tidings concerning the

kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. Now when the Apostles, which were at Jerusalem, heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: for as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they had been baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus. Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

HEAR also the words of holy Scripture written in the nineteenth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the first verse.

AND it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper country came to Ephesus, and found certain disciples: and he said unto them, Did ye receive the Holy Ghost when ye believed? And they said unto him, Nay, we did not so much as hear whether the Holy Ghost was given. And he said, Into what then were ye baptized? And they said, Into John's baptism. And Paul said, John baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Jesus. And when they heard this, they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. And they were in all about twelve men.

HEAR also the words of holy Scripture written in the fifth chapter of the Epistle to the Hebrews, beginning at the twelfth verse, and in the sixth chapter beginning at the first verse.

FOR when by reason of the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need again that some one teach you the rudiments of the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of solid food. Wherefore let us cease to speak of the first principles of Christ, and press on unto perfection; not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, of the teaching of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgement. And this will we do, if God permit.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

DO you here, in the presence of God, and of this Congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow that you made, or that was made in your name, at your Baptism; ratifying and confirming the same in your own persons, and acknowledging yourselves bound to believe and to do all those things which you then undertook, or which your Godfathers and Godmothers then undertook for you?

¶ *And every one shall audibly answer,*

I do.

¶ *Or else the Bishop shall say,*

DO you here, in the presence of God and of this Congregation, renounce the devil and

all his works, the pomps and vanity of this wicked world, and all the sinful lusts of the flesh?

Answer. I do.

Bishop. Do you believe all the Articles of the Christian faith as contained in the Apostles' Creed?

Answer. I do.

Bishop. Will you endeavour to keep God's holy will and commandments, and to walk in the same all the days of your life?

Answer. I will, God being my helper.

The Bishop.

OUR help is in the Name of the Lord;

Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Bishop. Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

Answer. Henceforth world without end.

Bishop. Lord, hear our prayers.

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Bishop. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate these thy servants by Water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto them forgiveness of all their sins: Strengthen them, we beseech thee, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost the Comforter, and daily increase in them thy manifold gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and understanding; the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength; the spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of thy holy fear, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then all of them in order kneeling before the Bishop, he shall lay his hand upon the head of every one severally, saying,*

DEFEND, O Lord, this thy Child [or *this thy Servant*] with thy heavenly grace, that *he* may continue thine for ever; and daily increase in thy Holy Spirit, more and more, until *he* come unto thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.

¶ *And (all kneeling down) the Bishop shall add,*

Let us pray.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ *And this Collect.*

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who makest us both to will and to do those things that be good and acceptable unto thy divine Majesty: We make our humble supplications unto thee for these thy servants, upon whom (after the example of thy holy Apostles) we have now laid our hands, to certify them (by this sign) of thy favour and gracious goodness towards them. Let thy fatherly hand, we beseech thee, ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word,

that in the end they may obtain everlasting life; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Bishop shall bless them, saying thus,*

THE Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you, for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *And there shall none be admitted to the holy Communion, until such time as he be confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be confirmed.*

A TABLE

OF

KINDRED AND AFFINITY

WHEREIN WHOSOEVER ARE RELATED ARE FORBIDDEN IN SCRIPTURE AND OUR LAWS TO MARRY TOGETHER.

A Man may not marry his	*A Woman may not marry with her*
1 MOTHER,	1 FATHER,
2 Step-mother,	2 Step-father,
3 Mother-in-law,	3 Father-in-law,
4 Daughter,	4 Son,
5 Step-daughter,	5 Step-son,
6 Daughter-in-law,	6 Son-in-law,
7 Sister,	7 Brother,
8 Sister-in-law,	8 Brother-in-law,
9 Grandmother,	9 Grandfather,
10 Grandfather's Wife,	10 Grandmother's Husband,
11 Wife's Grandmother,	11 Husband's Grandfather,
12 Grand-daughter,	12 Grandson,
13 Wife's grand-daughter,	13 Husband's Grandson,
14 Grandson's Wife,	14 Grand-daughter's Husband,
15 Aunt,	15 Uncle,
16 Aunt by marriage,	16 Uncle by marriage,
17 Niece,	17 Nephew,
18 Niece by marriage.	18 Nephew by marriage.

THE FORM OF

SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY

¶ *First, the Banns of all that are to be married together must be published in the Church three several Sundays, in the service of the Communion, after the Creed, or immediately after the Second Lesson of Morning or Evening Prayer; the Curate saying after the accustomed manner,*

I PUBLISH the Banns of Marriage between *M.* of—and *N.* of—. If any of you know cause, or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is the first [*second*, or *third*] time of asking.

¶ *And if the persons that are to be married dwell in divers Parishes, the Banns must be asked in both Parishes; and the Curate of the one Parish shall not solemnize Matrimony betwixt them, without a Certificate of the Banns being thrice asked, from the Curate of the other Parish. Nor shall any be married without Banns first asked, save when Licence is had from Authority.*

¶ *Note, That no clergyman within the jurisdiction of the Church of England in Canada shall solemnize a marriage between persons either of whom shall have been divorced from one who is living at the time.*

¶ *Note also, That no clergyman within the jurisdiction of the Church of England in Canada shall knowingly solemnize a marriage within the degrees prohibited by the Table of Kindred and Affinity as set forth on page* 337.

¶ *Before solemnizing any marriage, the Priest shall make enquiry, and satisfy himself that there is no impediment to the same.*

¶ *At the day and time appointed for solemnization of Matrimony, the persons to be married shall come into the body of the Church with their friends and neighbours: and there standing together, the man on the right hand, and the woman on the left, the Priest shall say,*

DEARLY beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God, and in the face of this Congregation, to join together this man

and this woman in holy Matrimony; which is an honourable estate, instituted of God in the time of man's innocency, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church; which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence, and first miracle that he wrought, in Cana of Galilee; and is commended of Saint Paul to be honourable among all men: and therefore is not by any to be enterprized, nor taken in hand, unadvisedly, lightly, or wantonly; but reverently, discreetly, advisedly, soberly, and in the fear of God; duly considering the causes for which Matrimony was ordained.

Matrimony was ordained for the hallowing of the union betwixt man and woman; for the procreation of children to be brought up in the fear and nurture of the Lord; and for the mutual society, help, and comfort, that the one ought to have of the other, in both prosperity and adversity.

Into which holy estate these two persons present come now to be joined. Therefore if any man can shew any just cause, why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter for ever hold his peace.

¶ *And also, speaking unto the persons that shall be married, he shall say,*

I REQUIRE and charge you both, as ye will answer at the dreadful day of judgement, when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know any impediment, why ye may not be lawfully joined together in Matrimony, ye do now confess it. For be ye well assured, that so many as are coupled

together otherwise than God's Word doth allow are not joined together by God; neither is their Matrimony lawful.

¶ *At which day of Marriage, if any man do allege and declare any impediment, why they may not be coupled together in Matrimony, by God's law, or the laws of this Realm; and will be bound, and sufficient sureties with him, to the parties; or else put in a caution (to the full value of such charges as the persons to be married do thereby sustain) to prove his allegation: then the solemnization must be deferred, until such time as the truth be tried.*

¶ *If no impediment be alleged, then shall the Curate say unto the man,*

N. WILT thou have this woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour, and keep her, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto her, so long as ye both shall live?

¶ *The man shall answer,*

I will.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say unto the woman,*

N. WILT thou have this man to thy wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou obey him, and serve him, love, honour, and keep him, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto him, so long as ye both shall live?

¶ *The woman shall answer,*

I will.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

Who giveth this woman to be married to this man?

¶ *Then shall they give their troth to each other in this manner.*

¶ *The Minister, receiving the woman at her father's or friend's hands, shall cause the man with his right hand to take the woman by her right hand, and to say after him as followeth.*

I *N.* take thee *N.* to my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I plight thee my troth.

¶ *Then shall they loose their hands; and the woman, with her right hand taking the man by his right hand, shall likewise say after the Minister,*

I *N.* take thee *N.* to my wedded husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love, cherish, and to obey, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I give thee my troth.

¶ *Then shall they again loose their hands; and the man shall give unto the woman a ring, laying the same upon the book with the accustomed duty to the Priest and Clerk. And the Priest, taking the ring, shall deliver it unto the man, to put it upon the fourth finger of the woman's left hand. And the man holding the ring there, and taught by the Priest, shall say,*

WITH this ring I thee wed, with my body I thee honour, and with all my worldly goods I thee endow: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the man leaving the ring upon the fourth finger of the woman's left hand, they shall both kneel down, and the Minister shall say,*

Let us pray.

O ETERNAL God, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, Giver of all spiritual grace, the Author of everlasting life: Send thy blessing upon these thy servants, this man

and this woman, whom we bless in thy Name; that, as Isaac and Rebecca lived faithfully together, so these persons may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, (whereof this ring given and received is a token and pledge,) and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest join their right hands together, and say,*

Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

¶ *Then shall the Minister speak unto the people.*

FORASMUCH as *N.* and *N.* have consented together in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have given and pledged their troth either to other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving of a ring, and by joining of hands; I pronounce that they be man and wife together, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *And the Minister shall add this Blessing.*

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favour look upon you, and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister or Clerks, going to the Lord's Table, shall say or sing this Psalm following.*

Beati omnes. Psalm 128.

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord : and walk in his ways.

For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands : O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine : upon the walls of thy house;

Thy children like the olive branches : round about thy table.

Lo, thus shall the man be blessed : that feareth the Lord.

The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee : that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long;

Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children : and peace upon Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or this Psalm.*

Deus misereatur. Psalm 67.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *The Psalm ended, and the man and the woman kneeling before the Lord's Table, the Priest standing at the Table, and turning his face towards them, shall say,*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant, and thy handmaid;
Answer. Who put their trust in thee.
Minister. O Lord, send them help from thy holy place;
Answer. And evermore defend them.
Minister. Be unto them a tower of strength,
Answer. From the face of their enemy.
Minister. O Lord, hear our prayer;
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister.

O GOD of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob, bless these thy servants, and sow the seed of eternal life in their hearts; that whatsoever in thy holy Word they shall profitably learn, they may in deed fulfil the same. Look, O Lord, mercifully upon them from heaven, and bless them. And as thou didst send thy blessing upon Abraham and Sarah, to their great comfort, so vouchsafe to send thy blessing upon these thy servants; that they obeying thy will, and alway being in safety under thy protection, may abide in thy love unto their lives' end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *This Prayer next following shall be omitted, where the woman is past child-bearing.*

O MERCIFUL Lord, and heavenly Father, by whose gracious gift mankind is increased: We beseech thee, assist with thy blessing these two persons, that they may both be fruitful in procreation of children, and also live together so long in godly love and honesty, that they may see their children christianly and virtuously brought up, to thy praise and honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this.

O MERCIFUL Lord, and heavenly Father, by whose gracious blessing mankind is increased: Bestow, we beseech thee, on these thy servants the heritage and gift of children, and grant that they may also live together so long in godly love and honesty, that they may see their children christianly and virtuously brought up, to thy praise and honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who by thy mighty power hast made all things of nothing; who also (after other things set in order) didst appoint, that out of man (created after thine own image and similitude) woman should take her beginning; and, knitting them together, didst teach that it should never be lawful to put asunder those whom thou by Matrimony hadst made one: O God, who hast consecrated the state of Matrimony to such an excellent mystery, that in it is signified and represented the spiritual marriage and unity betwixt Christ and his Church: Look mercifully upon these thy servants, that both this man may love his wife, according to thy Word, (as Christ did love his spouse the Church, who gave himself for it, loving and cherishing it even as his own flesh,) and also that this woman may be loving and amiable, faithful and obedient to her husband; and in all quietness, sobriety and peace, be a follower of holy and godly matrons. O Lord, bless them both, and grant them to inherit thy everlasting kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

ALMIGHTY God, who at the beginning did create our first parents, Adam and Eve and did sanctify and join them together in marriage: Pour upon you the riches of his grace, sanctify and bless you, that ye may please him both in body and soul, and live together in holy love unto your lives' end. *Amen.*

¶ *After which, if there be no Sermon or Exhortation declaring the duties of Man and Wife, the Minister shall read as followeth.*

ALL ye that are married, or that intend to take the holy estate of Matrimony upon you, hear what the holy Scripture doth say as touching the duty of husbands towards their wives, and wives towards their husbands.

Saint Paul, in his Epistle to the Ephesians, the fifth Chapter, doth give this commandment to all married men; Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it, that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water, by the word; that he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy, and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself: for no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the Church: for we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife; and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery; but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless, let every one of you in particular so love his wife, even as himself.

Likewise the same Saint Paul, writing to the Colossians, speaketh thus to all men that are married; Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.

Hear also what Saint Peter, the Apostle of Christ, who was himself a married man, saith unto them that are married; Ye husbands, dwell with your wives according to knowledge: giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker

vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers be not hindered.

Hitherto ye have heard the duty of the husband toward the wife. Now likewise, ye wives, hear and learn your duties toward your husbands, even as it is plainly set forth in holy Scripture.

Saint Paul, in the aforenamed Epistle to the Ephesians, teacheth you thus; Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the Church: and he is the Saviour of the body. Therefore as the Church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. And again he saith, Let the wife see that she reverence her husband.

And in his Epistle to the Colossians, Saint Paul giveth you this short lesson; Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

Saint Peter also doth instruct you very well, thus saying; Ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; while they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. Whose adorning, let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible; even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

¶ *It is convenient that the new-married persons should receive the holy Communion at the time of their Marriage, or at the first opportunity after their Marriage.*

THE COLLECT.

O HEAVENLY Father, who didst join together in marriage our first parents, Adam and Eve: Sanctify and bless these thy servants; and grant that those whom thou by matrimony dost make one, may stedfastly keep the covenant betwixt them made, and ever remain in perfect love and peace together; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. v. 25.

HUSBANDS, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the Church: for we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. xix. 4.

JESUS answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

THE ORDER FOR

THE VISITATION OF THE SICK

¶ *When any person is sick, notice thereof shall be given to the Minister of the Parish, who shall use the Order that followeth. But, if necessity so require, nothing in this Order prescribed shall prevent the Minister from edifying and comforting the sick by instruction or prayer, as he shall think meet and convenient, in place of the Order here set forth.*

¶ *The Priest, coming into the sick person's house, shall say,*

PEACE be to this house, and to all that dwell in it.

¶ *When he cometh into the sick man's presence he shall say, kneeling down,*

REMEMBER not, Lord, our iniquities, nor the iniquities of our forefathers: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Answer. Spare us, good Lord.

¶ *Then the Minister shall say,*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant;
Answer. Who putteth *his* trust in thee.
Minister. Send *him* help from thy holy place;
Answer. And evermore mightily defend *him.*
Minister. Let the enemy have no advantage of *him;*
Answer. Nor the wicked approach to hurt *him.*
Minister. Be unto *him,* O Lord, a strong tower,
Answer. From the face of *his* enemy.
Minister. O Lord, hear our prayers;
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister.

O LORD, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve this thy servant. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy, give *him* comfort and sure confidence in thee, defend *him* from the danger of the enemy, and keep *him* in perpetual peace and safety; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HEAR us, Almighty and most merciful God and Saviour; extend thy accustomed goodness to this thy servant who is grieved with sickness. Sanctify, we beseech thee, this thy fatherly correction to *him;* that the sense of *his* weakness may add strength to *his* faith, and seriousness to *his* repentance: that, if it shall be thy good pleasure to restore *him* to *his* former health, *he* may lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear, and to thy glory: or else give *him* grace so to take thy visitation, that, after this painful life ended, *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister exhort the sick person after this form, or other like.*

DEARLY beloved, know this, that Almighty God is the Lord of life and death, and of all things to them pertaining, as youth, strength, health, age, weakness, and sickness. Wherefore, whatsoever your sickness is, know you certainly, that it is God's visitation. And for what cause soever this sickness is sent unto you; whether it be to try your patience, for the example of others, and that your faith may be found in the day of the Lord laudable, glorious, and honourable, to the increase of glory and endless felicity; or else it be sent unto you to correct and amend in you whatsoever doth offend the eyes of your heavenly Father; know you certainly, that if you truly repent you of your sins, and bear your sickness patiently, trusting in God's mercy for his dear Son Jesus Christ's sake, and render unto him humble thanks for his fatherly visitation, submitting yourself wholly unto his will, it shall turn to your profit, and help you forward in the right way that leadeth unto everlasting life.

¶ *If the person visited be very sick, then the Curate may omit this portion of the Exhortation which followeth, from* Take therefore *to* everlasting life.

TAKE therefore in good part the chastisement of the Lord: For (as it is written in the twelfth chapter of the Epistle to the Hebrews) whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then

are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore, we have had fathers of our flesh, which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us as seemed good to them; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. These words, good *brother*, are written in holy Scripture for our comfort and instruction; that we should patiently, and with thanksgiving, bear our heavenly Father's correction, whensoever by any manner of adversity it shall please his gracious goodness to visit us. And there should be no greater comfort to Christian persons, than to be made like unto Christ, by suffering patiently adversities, troubles, and sicknesses. For he himself went not up to joy, but first he suffered pain; he entered not into his glory before he was crucified. So truly our way to eternal joy is to suffer here with Christ; and our door to enter into eternal life is gladly to die with Christ; that we may rise again from death, and dwell with him in everlasting life.

Now therefore, taking your sickness, which is thus profitable for you, patiently, I exhort you, in the name of God, to remember the profession which you made unto God in your Baptism. And forasmuch as after this life there is an account to be given unto the righteous Judge, by whom all must be judged without respect of persons, I require you to examine yourself and your estate, both toward God and man; so that, accusing and condemning yourself for your own faults, you may find mercy at our heavenly Father's hand

for Christ's sake, and not be accused and condemned in that fearful judgement. Therefore I shall rehearse to you the Articles of our Faith, that you may know whether you do believe as a Christian man should, or no.

¶ *Here the Minister shall rehearse the Articles of the Faith, saying thus,*

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth? And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

¶ *The sick person shall answer,*

All this I stedfastly believe.

¶ *Then shall the Minister examine whether he repent him truly of his sins, and be in charity with all the world; exhorting him to forgive, from the bottom of his heart, all persons that have offended him; and if he have offended any other, to ask them forgiveness; and where he hath done injury or wrong to any man, that he make amends to the uttermost of his power. And if he have not before disposed of his goods, let him then be admonished to make his Will, and to declare his debts, what he oweth, and what is owing unto him; for the better discharging of his conscience, and the quietness of his Executors. But men should often be put in remembrance to take order for the settling of their temporal estates whilst they are in health.*

¶ *This may be done before the Minister begin his Prayer, as he shall see cause.*

¶ *The Minister should not omit earnestly to move such sick persons as are of ability to be liberal to the poor.*

¶ *Here shall the sick person be moved to make a special confession of his sins, if he feel his conscience troubled with any weighty matter. After which confession, the Priest shall absolve him (if he humbly and heartily desire it) after this sort.*

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, who hath left power to his Church to absolve all sinners who truly repent and believe in him, of his great mercy forgive thee thine offences: And by his authority committed to me, I absolve thee from all thy sins, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *And then the Priest shall say the Collect following.*

Let us pray.

O MOST merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more: Open thine eye of mercy upon this thy servant, who most earnestly desireth pardon and forgiveness. Renew in *him* (most loving Father) whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by *his* own carnal will and frailness; preserve and continue this sick member in the unity of the Church; consider *his* contrition, accept *his* tears, assuage *his* pain, as shall seem to thee most expedient for *him*. And forasmuch as *he* putteth *his* full trust only in thy mercy, impute not unto *him his* former sins, but strengthen *him* with thy blessed Spirit; and, when thou art pleased to take *him* hence, take *him* unto thy favour; through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister say this Psalm.*

In te, Domine, speravi. Psalm 71.

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion : but rid me, and deliver me in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort : thou hast promised to help me; for thou art my house of defence, and my castle.

Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly : out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for : thou art my hope, even from my youth.

Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born : thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall alway be of thee.

I am become as it were a monster unto many : but my sure trust is in thee.

O let my mouth be filled with thy praise : that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

Cast me not away in the time of age : forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

For mine enemies speak against me, and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying : God hath forsaken him, persecute him, and take him; for there is none to deliver him.

Go not far from me, O God : my God, haste thee to help me.

Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul : let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

As for me, I will patiently abide alway : and will praise thee more and more.

My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation : for I know no end thereof.

I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God : and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now : therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed : until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

Thy righteousness, O God, is very high, and great things are they that thou hast done : O God, who is like unto thee?

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or this.*

De profundis. Psalm 130.

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.

If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him : in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy : and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Adding this.*

O SAVIOUR of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us: Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

THE Almighty Lord, who is a most strong tower to all them that put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, do bow and obey, be now and evermore thy defence; and make thee know and feel, that there is none other Name under heaven given to man, in whom, and through whom, thou mayest receive health and salvation, but only the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *And after that shall say,*

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit thee. The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *It is fitting, that, in the event of recovery, the sick person should not omit to offer publick thanksgiving in the Church.*

Special Prayers which may be said with the foregoing Service, or any part thereof, at the discretion of the Minister.

¶ *A Prayer for a sick child.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, who lovest little children, and thyself didst live as a child upon earth: Have mercy upon this thy child; make *him* to know and feel that thou art ever near; help *him* to be meek and gentle, patient and obedient, and lead *him* to love thee more and more; restore *him* to health and strength, if it be thy gracious will, that *he* may live for thee, to the glory of thy holy Name; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for a sick person.*

O ALMIGHTY God, and merciful Father, to whom alone belong the issues of life and death: Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech thee, with the eyes of mercy upon this thy servant now lying upon the bed of sickness. Grant *him* sincere repentance of *his* sins past, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus Christ. Visit *him* with thy salvation; deliver *him* in thy good appointed time from *his* bodily pain, and save *his* soul for thy mercies' sake: that, if it shall be thy pleasure to prolong *his* days here on earth, *he* may live to thee and be an instrument of thy glory, by

serving thee faithfully, and doing good in *his* generation; or else receive *him* into those heavenly habitations, where the souls of them that sleep in the Lord Jesus enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies' sake, in the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for a sick person, when there appeareth small hope of recovery.*

O FATHER of mercies, and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We fly unto thee for succour in behalf of this thy servant, here lying under thy hand in great weakness of body. Look graciously upon *him*, O Lord; and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen *him*, we beseech thee, so much the more continually with thy grace and Holy Spirit in the inner man. Give *him* unfeigned repentance for all the errors of *his* life past, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus; that *his* sins may be done away by thy mercy, and *his* pardon sealed in heaven, before *he* go hence, and be no more seen. We know, O Lord, that there is no word impossible with thee; and that, if thou wilt, thou canst even yet raise *him* up, and grant *him* a longer continuance amongst us; yet, forasmuch as in all appearance the time of *his* dissolution draweth near, so fit and prepare *him*, we beseech thee, against the hour of death, that after *his* departure hence in peace, and in thy favour, *his* soul may be received into thine everlasting kingdom; through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

¶ *A commendatory Prayer for a sick person at the point of departure.*

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons: We humbly commend the soul of this thy servant, our dear *brother*, into thy hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour; most humbly beseeching thee that it may be precious in thy sight. Wash it, we pray thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb, that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatsoever defilements it may have contracted in the midst of this miserable and naughty world, through the lusts of the flesh or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may be presented pure and without spot before thee. And teach us who survive, in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our own condition is; and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, whilst we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting; through the merits of Jesus Christ, thine only Son our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for persons troubled in mind or in conscience.*

O BLESSED Lord, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comforts: We beseech thee, look down in pity and compassion upon this thy afflicted servant. Thou writest bitter things against *him*, and makest *him* to possess *his* former iniquities; thy wrath lieth hard upon *him*, and *his* soul is full of trouble: But, O merciful God, who hast

written thy holy Word for our learning, that we, through patience and comfort of thy holy Scriptures, might have hope; give *him* a right understanding of *himself*, and of thy threats and promises; that *he* may neither cast away *his* confidence in thee, nor place it any where but in thee. Give *him* strength against all *his* temptations, and heal all *his* distempers. Break not the bruised reed, nor quench the smoking flax. Shut not up thy tender mercies in displeasure; but make *him* to hear of joy and gladness, that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Deliver *him* from fear of the enemy, and lift up the light of thy countenance upon *him*, and give *him* peace; through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for the recovery of a sick person.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the giver of life and health: We beseech thee to hear our prayers for this thy servant, for whom we implore thy mercy, that by thy blessing upon *him* and upon those who minister to *him* of thy healing gifts, *he* may be restored, if it be thy gracious will, to health of body and mind, and give thanks to thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for a blessing on the use of means.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, thou great Physician: Look with thy gracious favour upon this thy servant; give wisdom and discretion to those who minister to *him* in *his* sickness; bless all the means used for *his* recovery; stretch forth thy hand and, if it be thy will, restore *him* to health and strength, that *he*

may live to praise thee for thy goodness and thy grace; to the glory of thy holy Name. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for submission to the will of God.*

O GOD our heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: Grant to this thy servant grace to desire only thy most holy will; that, whether living or dying, *he* may be thine; for his sake who loved us and gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Thanksgiving for the beginning of a recovery.*

ALMIGHTY God, who bringest down to the grave and bringest up again: We give thee humble thanks for thy great mercy vouchsafed to this our *brother*. Blessed be thy Name that thou hast remembered *him* in *his* sickness, and hast sent *him* seasonable relief. Perfect, we beseech thee, this thy mercy towards *him*, and grant *him* such a measure of thy grace, that being restored to health of body, vigour of mind, and cheerfulness of spirit, *he* may give thanks unto thee in thy holy House, and spend the rest of *his* life in thy faith and fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For a woman after Childbirth.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we give thee humble and hearty thanks for that thou hast preserved thy servant through her time of trial, and hast caused her to rejoice in the gift of a child. Continue, we beseech thee, thy goodness to her; restore her to health and strength; and give her grace so to train this child for thee, that together they may attain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE VISITATION OF THE SICK

¶ *Note, That the prayers in this Service may be adapted by the sick person for his own private use.*

¶ *The following prayers are also suitable for use in the sick room:—the Collect in the Communion of the Sick, and the Collects appointed for the first, second and fourth Sundays in Advent, the third, fourth and sixth Sundays after Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, the second Sunday in Lent, the Sunday next before Easter, the fourth Sunday after Easter, Ascension-day, the Sunday after Ascension, Trinity Sunday, the fourth, sixth, seventh, twelfth, fifteenth, eighteenth and twenty-first Sundays after Trinity, the Transfiguration, St Michael and All Angels, St Luke the Evangelist and All Saints' day.*

¶ *The following passages of Holy Scripture will be found suitable for use in the sick room:*

1. Confidence in God: Psalms 27, 46, 91, 121; Prov. 3, 11—26; Isaiah 26, 1—9; 40, 1—11; 40, 25 to end; Lam. 3, 22—41; St Matth. 6, 24 to end.
2. Answer to Prayer: Psalms 30, 34.
3. Prayer for Divine Aid: Psalms 43, 86, 143; St James 5, 10 to end.
4. Penitence: Psalms 51, 130.
5. Praise and Thanksgiving: Psalms 103, 146; Isaiah 12.
6. God's dealing with man through affliction: Job 33, 14—30; Heb. 12, 1—11.
7. Christ our example in suffering: Isaiah 53; St Matth. 26, 36—46; St Luke 23, 27—49.
8. God's call to repentance and faith: Isaiah 55.
9. The Beatitudes: St Matth. 5, 1—12.
10. Watchfulness: St Luke 12, 32—40.
11. Christ the Good Shepherd: Psalm 23; St John 10, 1—18.
12. The Resurrection Hope: St John 20, 1—18; 20, 19 to end; 2 Cor. 4, 13; 5, 1—9.
13. Redemption: Rom. 5, 1—11; 8, 18 to end; 1 St John 1, 1—9.
14. Christian Love: 1 Cor. 13.
15. Growth in Grace: Eph. 3, 13 to end; 6, 10—20; Phil. 3, 7—14.
16. Patience in Suffering: St James 5, 10 to end.
17. God's love to men: 1 St John 3, 1—7; 4, 9 to end.
18. The life of the world to come: St John 14, 1—6; Rev. 7, 9 to end; 21, 1—7; 21, 22; 22, 1—5.

THE COMMUNION OF THE SICK

¶ *Forasmuch as all mortal men be subject to many sudden perils, diseases, and sicknesses, and ever uncertain what time they shall depart out of this life; therefore, to the intent they may be always in a readiness to die, whensoever it shall please Almighty God to call them, the Curates shall diligently from time to time (but especially in the time of pestilence, or other infectious sickness) exhort their Parishioners to the often receiving of the holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ, when it shall be publickly administered in the Church; that so doing, they may, in case of sudden visitation, have the less cause to be disquieted for lack of the same. But if the sick person be not able to come to the Church, and yet is desirous to receive the Communion in his house; then he must give timely notice to the Curate, signifying also how many there are to communicate with him, (which shall be three, or two at the least), and having a convenient place in the sick man's house, with all things necessary so prepared, that the Curate may reverently minister, he shall there celebrate the holy Communion, beginning with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel here following, or the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel of the day, at his discretion.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY everliving God, Maker of mankind, who dost correct those whom thou dost love, and chastise every one whom thou dost receive: We beseech thee to have mercy upon this thy servant visited with thine hand; and to grant that *he* may take *his* sickness patiently, and recover *his* bodily health, (if it be thy gracious will,) and whensoever *his* soul shall depart from the body, it may be without spot presented unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Hebr. 12. 5.

MY son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him. For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

THE GOSPEL. St John 5. 24.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

¶ *After which the Priest shall proceed according to the form before prescribed for the holy Communion, beginning at these words* Ye that do truly *on page* 280.

¶ *If the sick person be very weak, and necessity so require, it shall suffice to use for this office, the Confession, Absolution, Prayer of Consecration, Form of Delivery of the Sacrament, Lord's Prayer, and Blessing.*

¶ *At the time of the distribution of the holy Sacrament, the Priest shall first receive the Communion himself, and after minister unto them that are appointed to communicate with the sick; and last of all to the sick person.*

¶ *But if a man, either by reason of extremity of sickness, or for want of warning in due time to the Curate, or for lack of company to receive with him, or by any other just impediment, do not receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood: the Curate shall instruct him that if he do truly repent him of his sins, and stedfastly believe that Jesus Christ hath suffered death upon the Cross for him, and shed his Blood for his redemption, earnestly remembering the benefits he hath thereby, and giving him hearty thanks therefore; he doth eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to his soul's health, although he do not receive the Sacrament with his mouth.*

¶ *When the sick person is visited and receiveth the holy Communion all at one time, then the Priest, for more expedition, shall cut off the form of the Visitation at the Psalm, and go straight to the Communion.*

¶ *When, through fear of infection, none of the Parish or neighbours can be gotten to communicate with the sick person, or when in cases of extreme urgency (after due pains taken) none can be found to communicate with* him, *then the Minister may alone communicate with* him.

THE ORDER FOR

THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD

¶ *Here is to be noted, that the Office ensuing is not to be used for any that die unbaptized, or excommunicate, or by their own wilful act.*

¶ *Note also, That when this Office is not to be used, the Priest may at the grave read the Sentences beginning* Man that is born, *followed by the Lesser Litany, the Lord's Prayer, one or more Collects from this Book at his discretion, and* The grace of our Lord *etc.*

¶ *The Priest and Clerks meeting the corpse at the entrance of the Church-yard, and going before it, either into the Church, or towards the grave, shall say, or sing:*

I AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. *St John* 11. 25, 26.

LET not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. *St John* 14. 1, 2.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. *Job* 19. 25.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord. 1 *Tim.* 6. 7. *Job* 1. 21.

¶ *After they are come into the Church, shall be read one or both of these Psalms following.*

AT THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD

Dixi, Custodiam. Psalm 39.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways : that I offend not in my tongue.

I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle : while the ungodly is in my sight.

I held my tongue, and spake nothing : I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled : and at the last I spake with my tongue;

Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days : that I may be certified how long I have to live.

Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long : and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain : he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences : and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

I became dumb, and opened not my mouth : for it was thy doing.

Take thy plague away from me : I am even consumed by means of thy heavy hand.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment : every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears.

For I am a stranger with thee : and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength : before I go hence, and be no more seen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Domine, refugium. Psalm 90.

LORD, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made : thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction : again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday : seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them, they are even as a sleep : and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green, and groweth up : but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

For we consume away in thy displeasure : and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee : and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For when thou art angry, all our days are gone : we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to fourscore years : yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

But who regardeth the power of thy wrath: for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.

So teach us to number our days : that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and be gracious unto thy servants.

O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon : so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us : and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

Shew thy servants thy work : and their children thy glory.

And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us : prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handy-work.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *At the burial of baptized children of tender years, it is permitted to substitute for the appointed Psalms, this Psalm following.*

Dominus regit me. Psalm 23.

THE Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall follow the Lesson taken out of the fifteenth chapter of the former Epistle of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.*

1 Cor. 15. 20.

NOW is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the first-fruits; afterward they that are Christ's, at his coming. Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule, and all authority, and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith, all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all

things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all. Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? why are they then baptized for the dead? And why stand we in jeopardy every hour? I protest by your rejoicing, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me? If the dead are not raised, let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we die. Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. Awake to righteousness, and sin not: for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame. But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die. And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: but God giveth it a body, as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. All flesh is not the same flesh; but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial; but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: it is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: it

is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit, that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality; then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

¶ *At the burial of baptized children of tender years, it is permitted to substitute for the appointed Lesson one or both of the following:*

St Matth. 18. 1—6, 10.

AT the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

1 Thess. 4. 13.

I WOULD not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught

up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

¶ *Then may be said or sung the Apostles' Creed, by the Minister and the people standing.*

¶ *The Priest may here, at his discretion, conclude that part of the service which is held in the Church by the use of the Lesser Litany, the Lord's Prayer, and one or more of the prayers which follow.*

¶ *When they come to the grave, while the corpse is made ready to be laid into the earth, the Priest shall say, or the Priest and Clerks shall sing:*

MAN that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down, like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one stay.

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O Lord, who for our sins art justly displeased?

Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears to our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee.

¶ *Then, while the earth shall be cast upon the body by some standing by, the Priest shall say,*

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his great mercy to take unto himself the soul of our dear *brother* here departed: we therefore commit *his* body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust;

in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our corruptible body, that it may be like unto his glorious body, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

¶ *At the burial of the dead at Sea.*

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his great mercy to take unto himself the soul of our dear *brother* here departed: we therefore commit *his* body to the deep, to be turned into corruption, looking for the resurrection of the body, (when the Sea shall give up her dead,) and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ; who at his coming shall change our corruptible body, that it may be like his glorious body, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung,*

I HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: Even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours.

¶ *Or, at the burial of baptized children of tender years,*

JESUS said, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Priest.*

ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity: We praise and magnify thy holy Name for all thy servants who have finished their course and kept the faith; beseeching thee that it may please thee, of thy gracious goodness, shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; that we, with all those that are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *The Collect.*

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; in whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us (by his holy Apostle Saint Paul) not to be sorry, as men without hope, for them that sleep in him: We meekly beseech thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness;

that, when we shall depart this life, we may rest in him, as our hope is this our *brother* doth; and that, at the general Resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight, and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world: Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this,*

THE God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Note, That where necessity so requires, it shall be lawful to say the whole of this service in the Church: provided that the words* Forasmuch as it hath pleased Almighty God *etc. shall always be said at the grave.*

¶ *Additional prayers, to be used at the discretion of the Priest.*

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow

their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

O HEAVENLY Father, whose Blessed Son Jesus Christ did weep at the grave of Lazarus: Look, we beseech thee, with compassion upon those who are now in sorrow and affliction; comfort them, O Lord, with thy gracious consolations; make them to know that all things work together for good to them that love thee; and grant them evermore sure trust and confidence in thy fatherly care; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that, through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, whose days are without end, and whose mercies cannot be numbered: Make us, we beseech thee, deeply sensible of the shortness and uncertainty of human life;

and let thy Holy Spirit lead us in holiness and righteousness, all our days: that, when we shall have served thee in our generation, we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience; in the communion of the Catholick Church; in the confidence of a certain faith; in the comfort of a reasonable, religious, and holy hope; in favour with thee our God, and in perfect charity with all men. Grant this we beseech thee through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *At the burial of baptized children the following Collects may be used.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths: Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith, even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O HEAVENLY Father, whose face the angels of the little ones do always behold in heaven: Grant us stedfastly to believe that this little child hath been taken into the safe keeping of thine eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, who didst take little children into thine arms and bless them: Open thou our eyes, we beseech thee, that we may perceive that thou hast now taken this child into the arms of thy love, and hast bestowed upon *him* the blessings of thy gracious favour; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Thess. 4. 13.

I WOULD not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

THE GOSPEL. St John 6. 37.

ALL that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

AT THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD

Or St John 11. 21.

THEN said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

THE THANKSGIVING OF WOMEN AFTER CHILD-BIRTH

COMMONLY CALLED

THE CHURCHING OF WOMEN

¶ *The woman, at the usual time after her delivery, shall come into the Church decently apparelled, and there shall kneel down in some convenient place, as hath been accustomed, or as the Ordinary shall direct: And then the Priest shall say unto her,*

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his goodness to give you safe deliverance, and to preserve you in the great danger of child-birth: You shall therefore give hearty thanks unto God, and say,

¶ *Then shall the Priest say the* 116*th Psalm.*

Dilexi quoniam.

I AM well pleased: that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

That he hath inclined his ear unto me: therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

The snares of death compassed me round about: and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

I found trouble and heaviness, and I called upon the name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous: yea, our God is merciful.

The Lord preserveth the simple: I was in misery, and he helped me.

Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul: for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death: mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord: in the land of the living.

I believed, and therefore will I speak : but I was sore troubled.

What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Or Psalm* 127.

Nisi Dominus.

EXCEPT the Lord build the house : their labour is but lost that build it.

Except the Lord keep the city : the watchman waketh but in vain.

It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness : for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

Lo, children and the fruit of the womb : are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant : even so are the young children.

Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them : they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save this woman thy servant;
Answer. Who putteth her trust in thee.
Minister. Be thou to her a strong tower;
Answer. From the face of her enemy.
Minister. Lord, hear our prayer.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister. Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God, we give thee humble thanks for that thou hast vouchsafed to preserve this woman thy servant in the great pain and peril of child-birth: Grant, we beseech thee, most merciful Father, that she through thy help may both faithfully live and walk according to thy will, in this life present; and also may be partaker of everlasting glory in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

THE Lord bless thee, and keep thee; the Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *The woman, that cometh to give her thanks, must offer accustomed offerings; and, if there be a Communion, it is convenient that she receive the holy Communion.*

A COMMINATION

OR DENOUNCING OF GOD'S ANGER AND JUDGEMENTS AGAINST SINNERS

WITH CERTAIN PRAYERS TO BE USED ON THE FIRST DAY OF LENT, AND AT OTHER TIMES, AS THE ORDINARY SHALL APPOINT.

¶ *After Morning Prayer, the Litany ended, according to the accustomed manner, the Priest shall in the reading Pew or Pulpit say,*

BRETHREN, in the primitive Church there was a godly discipline, that, at the beginning of Lent, such persons as stood convicted of notorious sin were put to open penance, and punished in this world, that their souls might be saved in the day of the Lord; and that others, admonished by their example, might be the more afraid to offend.

Instead whereof, until proper discipline may be restored (which is much to be wished), it is thought good that at this time (in the presence of you all) should be read the general sentences of God's wrath against impenitent sinners, gathered out of the seven and twentieth chapter of Deuteronomy, and other places of Scripture; and that ye should answer to every sentence, *Amen:* To the intent that, being admonished of the great indignation of God against sinners, ye may the rather be moved to earnest and true repentance; and may walk more warily in these dangerous days; fleeing from such vices, against which ye affirm with your own mouths the wrath of God to be revealed.

THE wrath of God is upon the man that maketh any carved or molten image, to worship it.

¶ *And the people shall answer and say,*

Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that curseth his father or mother.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that removeth his neighbour's land-mark.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that maketh the blind to go out of his way.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that perverteth the judgement of the stranger, the fatherless, and widow.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that smiteth his neighbour secretly.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that committeth adultery.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that taketh reward to slay the innocent.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon him that putteth his trust in man, and taketh man for his defence, and in his heart goeth from the Lord.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. The wrath of God is upon the unmerciful, fornicators, covetous persons, idolaters, slanderers, blasphemers, drunkards, and extortioners.

Answer. Amen.

Minister.

NOW seeing that the wrath of God is upon all them who do err
Psalm 119. 21. and go astray from the commandments of God; let us (remembering the dreadful judgement hanging over our heads, and always ready to fall upon us) return unto our Lord God with all contrition and meekness of heart; bewailing and lamenting our sinful life, acknowledging and confessing our offences, and seeking to bring forth worthy fruits of
St Matth. 3. 10. penance. For now is the axe put unto the root of the trees, so that every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast
Heb. 10. 31. into the fire. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God:
Psalm 11. 6. He shall pour down rain upon the sinners, snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest; this shall be
Isaiah 26. 21. their portion to drink. For lo, the Lord is come out of his place to visit the wickedness of such as dwell upon
Mal. 3. 2. the earth. But who may abide the day of his coming? Who shall be able to endure when he appeareth? His
St Matth. 3. 12. fan is in his hand, and he will purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the barn; but he will burn the chaff
1 *Thess.* 5. 2, 3. with unquenchable fire. The day of the Lord cometh as a thief in the night: and when men shall say, Peace, and all things are safe, then shall sudden destruction come upon

them, as sorrow cometh upon a woman travailing with child, and they shall not escape. Then shall
Rom. 2. 4, 5. appear the wrath of God in the day of vengeance, which obstinate sinners, through the stubbornness of their heart, have heaped unto themselves; which despised the goodness, patience, and long-sufferance of God, when he calleth them continually to
Prov. 1. 28, 29, 30. repentance. Then shall they call upon me (saith the Lord) but I will not hear; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me; and that, because they hated knowledge, and received not the fear of the Lord, but abhorred my counsel, and despised my correction. Then shall it
St Matth. 25. 10, 11, 12. be too late to knock, when the door shall be shut; and too late to cry for mercy, when it is the time of justice. O terrible voice of most just judgement, which shall be pronounced upon them, when it shall be said unto them, Go, ye cursed, into the fire everlasting, which is prepared for the devil and his angels.

2 Cor. 6. 2. Therefore, brethren, take we heed betime, while the day of salvation
St John 9. 4, 5. lasteth; for the night cometh, when none can work: But let us, while we have the light, believe in the light, and walk as children of the light; that we be not cast into utter dark-
St Matth. 25. 30. ness, where is weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us not abuse the goodness of God, who calleth us mercifully to amendment, and of his

endless pity promiseth us forgiveness of that which is past, if with a perfect and true heart we return unto him. For though our sins be as red as scarlet, they shall be made white as snow; and though they be like purple, yet they shall be made white as wool. Turn ye (saith the Lord) from all your wickedness, and your sin shall not be your destruction: Cast away from you all your ungodliness that ye have done: Make you new hearts, and a new spirit: Wherefore will ye die, O ye house of Israel? seeing that I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God. Turn ye then, and ye shall live.

Isaiah 1. 18.

Ezek. 18. 30.

Although we have sinned, yet have we an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. For he was wounded for our offences, and smitten for our wickedness. Let us therefore return unto him, who is the merciful receiver of all true penitent sinners; assuring ourselves that he is ready to receive us, and most willing to pardon us, if we come unto him with faithful repentance; if we submit ourselves unto him, and from henceforth walk in his ways; if we will take his easy yoke and light burden upon us, to follow him in lowliness, patience, and charity, and be ordered by the governance of his Holy Spirit; seeking always his glory, and serving him duly in our vocation with

1 *St John* 2. 1, 2.

Isaiah 53. 5.

St Matth. 11. 29, 30.

thanksgiving. This if we do, Christ will deliver us from the curse of the law, and from the extreme malediction which shall light upon them that shall be set on the left hand; and he will set us on his right hand, and give us the gracious benediction of his Father, commanding us to take possession of his glorious kingdom: Unto which he vouchsafe to bring us all, for his infinite mercy. Amen.

St Matth. 25. 33, 34.

¶ *Then shall they all kneel (the Priest in the place where he is accustomed to say the Litany) and the Priest and people shall say this Psalm.*

Miserere mei, Deus. Psalm 51.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness : according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me throughly from my wickedness : and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults : and my sin is ever before me.

Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight : that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness : and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts : and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean : thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness : that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

Turn thy face away from my sins : and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence : and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort of thy help again : and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked : and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health : and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord : and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee : but thou delightest not in burnt-offering.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations : then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servants;
Answer. That put their trust in thee.
Minister. Send unto them help from above.
Answer. And evermore mightily defend them.
Minister. Help us, O God our Saviour.
Answer. And for the glory of thy Name deliver us; be merciful unto us sinners, for thy Name's sake.
Minister. O Lord, hear our prayer.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister. Let us pray.

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MOST mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made; who

wouldest not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved: Mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgement with thy servants, who are vile earth, and miserable sinners; but so turn thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with thee in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the people say this that followeth, after the Minister.*

TURN thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, Be favourable to thy people, Who turn to thee in weeping, fasting, and praying. For thou art a merciful God, Full of compassion, long-suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment, And in thy wrath thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy people, good Lord, Spare them, and let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great, And after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us; Through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister alone shall say,*

THE Lord bless us, and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

PROPER PSALMS ON CERTAIN DAYS

	MATTINS	EVENSONG
Advent Sunday	Psalm 9 — 50	Psalm 36 — 97 — 98
Christmas Day	Psalm 19 — 45 — 85	Psalm 89 *or* Psalm 110 — 132
Circumcision (New Year's Day)	Psalm 90	Psalm 105
Epiphany	Psalm 87 — 96	Psalm 67 — 72
Ash Wednesday	Psalm 6 — 32 — 38	Psalm 102 — 130 — 143
Good Friday	Psalm 22 — 40 — 54	Psalm 69 — 88
Easter Even	Psalm 4 — 30	Psalm 16 — 27
Easter Day	Psalm 2 — 57 — 111	Psalm 113 — 114 — 118
Ascension Day	Psalm 8 — 15 — 21	Psalm 24 — 47 — 108
Whitsunday	Psalm 48 — 68	Psalm 104 — 145
Trinity Sunday	Psalm 93 — 97 — 99	Psalm 62 — 146 — 150

	MATTINS	EVENSONG
St Michael and All Angels	Psalm 34 — 91	Psalm 103 — 148
All Saints' Day	Psalm 1 — 15 — 112	Psalm 145 — 146 — 149
Rogation Days	Psalm 8 — 65 — 104 — 126 — 144 — 147 } *One or more*	
Dominion Day and other occasions of National Thanksgiving	Psalm 72	Psalm 46 — 150
Children's Service	*See page* 683	
For Missions	Psalm 2 — 46 — 97	Psalm 113 — 126 — 132
Harvest Thanksgiving	Ps. 65 — 103 — 107 — 144 — 145 } *One or more*	Ps 148 — 150
Institution and Induction	Psalm 121 — 132	
Consecration of Church or Chapel	Psalm 84 — 122 — 132	
Consecration of Church-yard or Cemetery	Psalm 23 — 39 — 90 — 103	

SELECTIONS OF PSALMS

Any of the following Selections may be used on the thirty-first day of the month, or on any other day for sufficient cause with the approval of the Ordinary, save only on those days for which Proper Psalms are appointed.

I., Psalms 1, 3 and 4. II., Psalms 15, 16 and 23. III., Psalms 19 and 20. IV., Psalms 27 and 29. V., Psalms 42 and 46. VI., Psalms 61 and 62. VII., Psalms 67 and 72. VIII., Psalms 84 and 85. IX., Psalms 91 and 96. X., Psalms 101 and 103. XI., Psalms 111, 112 and 113. XII., Psalm 119, 88–112. XIII., Psalms 139 and 143. XIV., Psalms 126, 127 and 130. XV., Psalms 145 and 146. XVI., Psalms 148, 149 and 150.

PSALMS THAT MAY BE USED IN HOLY WEEK

on the days for which Proper Psalms are not appointed

Psalms 41, 51, 71, 74, 94, 116, 120, 130, 141, 142.

THE

PSALMS OF DAVID

MORNING PRAYER — DAY 1

PSALM 1. *Beatus vir, qui non abiit, &c.*

BLESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners : and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord : and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side : that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

4 His leaf also shall not wither : and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them : but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement : neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

7 But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous : and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 2. *Quare fremuerunt gentes?*

WHY do the heathen so furiously rage together : and why do the people imagine a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together : against the Lord, and against his Anointed.

3 Let us break their bonds asunder : and cast away their cords from us.

4 He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn : the Lord shall have them in derision.

5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath : and vex them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I set my King : upon my holy hill of Sion.

7 I will preach the law, whereof the Lord hath said unto me : Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

8 Desire of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance : and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.

9 Thou shalt bruise them with a rod of iron : and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings : be learned, ye that are judges of the earth.

11 Serve the Lord in fear : and rejoice unto him with reverence.

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and so ye perish from the right way : if his wrath be kindled, (yea, but a little,) blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

PSALM 3. *Domine, quid multiplicati?*

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me : many are they that rise against me.
2 Many one there be that say of my soul : There is no help for him in his God.
3 But thou, O Lord, art my defender : thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.
4 I did call upon the Lord with my voice : and he heard me out of his holy hill.
5 I laid me down and slept, and rose up again : for the Lord sustained me.
6 I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people : that have set themselves against me round about.
7 Up, Lord, and help me, O my God : for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheekbone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.
8 Salvation belongeth unto the Lord : and thy blessing is upon thy people.

PSALM 4. *Cum invocarem.*

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness : thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.
2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour : and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?
3 Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly : when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
4 Stand in awe, and sin not : commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness : and put your trust in the Lord.

6 There be many that say : Who will shew us any good?

7 Lord, lift thou up : the light of thy countenance upon us.

8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart : since the time that their corn and wine and oil increased.

9 I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest : for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

PSALM 5. *Verba mea auribus.*

PONDER my words, O Lord : consider my meditation.

2 O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God : for unto thee will I make my prayer.

3 My voice shalt thou hear betimes, O Lord : early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

4 For thou art the God that hast no pleasure in wickedness : neither shall any evil dwell with thee.

5 Such as be foolish shall not stand in thy sight : for thou hatest all them that work vanity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing : the Lord will abhor both the blood-thirsty and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, I will come into thine house, even upon the multitude of thy mercy : and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

8 Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies : make thy way plain before my face.

9 For there is no faithfulness in his mouth : their inward parts are very wickedness.

10 Their throat is an open sepulchre : they flatter with their tongue.

11 Destroy thou them, O God; let them perish through their own imaginations : cast them out in the multitude of their ungodliness; for they have rebelled against thee.

12 And let all them that put their trust in thee rejoice : they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest them; they that love thy Name shall be joyful in thee;

13 For thou, Lord, wilt give thy blessing unto the righteous : and with thy favourable kindness wilt thou defend him as with a shield.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 1

PSALM 6. *Domine, ne in furore.*

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine indignation : neither chasten me in thy displeasure.

2 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak : O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed.

3 My soul also is sore troubled : but, Lord, how long wilt thou punish me?

4 Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul : O save me for thy mercy's sake.

5 For in death no man remembereth thee : and who will give thee thanks in the pit?

6 I am weary of my groaning; every night wash I my bed : and water my couch with my tears.

7 My beauty is gone for very trouble : and worn away because of all mine enemies.

8 Away from me, all ye that work vanity : for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.

9 The Lord hath heard my petition : the Lord will receive my prayer.

10 All mine enemies shall be confounded, and sore vexed : they shall be turned back, and put to shame suddenly.

PSALM 7. *Domine, Deus meus.*

O LORD my God, in thee have I put my trust : save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me;

2 Lest he devour my soul, like a lion, and tear it in pieces : while there is none to help.

3 O Lord my God, if I have done any such thing : or if there be any wickedness in my hands;

4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that dealt friendly with me : yea, I have delivered him that without any cause is mine enemy;

5 Then let mine enemy persecute my soul, and take me : yea, let him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust.

6 Stand up, O Lord, in thy wrath, and lift up thyself, because of the indignation of mine enemies : arise up for me in the judgement that thou hast commanded.

7 And so shall the congregation of the people come about thee : for their sakes therefore lift up thyself again.

8 The Lord shall judge the people; give sentence with me, O Lord : according to my righteousness, and according to the innocency that is in me.

9 O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end : but guide thou the just.

10 For the righteous God : trieth the very hearts and reins.

11 My help cometh of God : who preserveth them that are true of heart.

12 God is a righteous Judge, strong and patient : and God is provoked every day.

13 If a man will not turn, he will whet his sword : he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.

14 He hath prepared for him the instruments of death : he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.

15 Behold, he travaileth with mischief : he hath conceived sorrow, and brought forth ungodliness.

16 He hath graven and digged up a pit : and is fallen himself into the destruction that he made for other.

17 For his travail shall come upon his own head : and his wickedness shall fall on his own pate.

18 I will give thanks unto the Lord, according to his righteousness : and I will praise the Name of the Lord most High.

PSALM 8. *Domine, Dominus noster.*

O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world : thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!

2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies : that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

3 For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers : the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.

4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him : and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

5 Thou madest him lower than the angels : to crown him with glory and worship.

6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands : and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

7 All sheep and oxen : yea, and the beasts of the field;

8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea : and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

9 O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

DAY 2 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 9. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : I will speak of all thy marvellous works.

2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee : yea, my songs will I make of thy Name, O thou most Highest.

3 While mine enemies are driven back : they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

4 For thou hast maintained my right and my cause : thou art set in the throne that judgest right.

5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, and destroyed the ungodly : thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.

6 O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end : even as the cities which thou hast destroyed, their memorial is perished with them.

7 But the Lord shall endure for ever : he hath also prepared his seat for judgement.

8 For he shall judge the world in righteousness : and minister true judgement unto the people.

9 The Lord also will be a defence for the oppressed : even a refuge in due time of trouble.

10 And they that know thy Name will put their trust in thee : for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee.

11 O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion : shew the people of his doings.

12 For when he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them : and forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.

13 Have mercy upon me, O Lord; consider the trouble which I suffer of them that hate me : thou that liftest me up from the gates of death.

14 That I may shew all thy praises within the ports of the daughter of Sion : I will rejoice in thy salvation.

15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made : in the same net which they hid privily, is their foot taken.

16 The Lord is known to execute judgement : the ungodly is trapped in the work of his own hands.

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell : and all the people that forget God.

18 For the poor shall not alway be forgotten : the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever.

19 Up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand : let the heathen be judged in thy sight.

20 Put them in fear, O Lord : that the heathen may know themselves to be but men.

PSALM 10. *Ut quid, Domine?*

WHY standest thou so far off, O Lord : and hidest thy face in the needful time of trouble?

2 The ungodly for his own lust doth persecute the poor : let them be taken in the crafty wiliness that they have imagined.

3 For the ungodly hath made boast of his own heart's desire : and speaketh good of the covetous, whom God abhorreth.

4 The ungodly is so proud, that he careth not for God : neither is God in all his thoughts.

5 His ways are alway grievous : thy judgements are far above out of his sight, and therefore defieth he all his enemies.

6 For he hath said in his heart, Tush, I shall never be cast down : there shall no harm happen unto me.

7 His mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and fraud : under his tongue is ungodliness and vanity.

8 He sitteth lurking in the thievish corners of the streets : and privily in his lurking dens doth he murder the innocent; his eyes are set against the poor.

9 For he lieth waiting secretly, even as a lion lurketh he in his den : that he may ravish the poor.

10 He doth ravish the poor : when he getteth him into his net.

11 He falleth down, and humbleth himself : that the congregation of the poor may fall into the hands of his captains.

12 He hath said in his heart, Tush, God hath forgotten : he hideth away his face, and he will never see it.

13 Arise, O Lord God, and lift up thine hand : forget not the poor.

14 Wherefore should the wicked blaspheme God : while he doth say in his heart, Tush, thou God carest not for it.

15 Surely thou hast seen it : for thou beholdest ungodliness and wrong.

16 That thou mayest take the matter into thy hand : the poor committeth himself unto thee; for thou art the helper of the friendless.

17 Break thou the power of the ungodly and malicious : take away his ungodliness, and thou shalt find none.

18 The Lord is King for ever and ever : and the heathen are perished out of the land.

19 Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the poor : thou preparest their heart, and thine ear hearkeneth thereto;

20 To help the fatherless and poor unto their right : that the man of the earth be no more exalted against them.

PSALM 11. *In Domino confido.*

IN the Lord put I my trust : how say ye then to my soul, that she should flee as a bird unto the hill?

2 For lo, the ungodly bend their bow, and make ready their arrows within the quiver : that they may privily shoot at them which are true of heart.

3 For the foundations will be cast down : and what hath the righteous done?

4 The Lord is in his holy temple : the Lord's seat is in heaven.

5 His eyes consider the poor : and his eyelids try the children of men.

6 The Lord alloweth the righteous : but the ungodly, and him that delighteth in wickedness, doth his soul abhor.

7 Upon the ungodly he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest : this shall be their portion to drink.

8 For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness : his countenance will behold the thing that is just.

DAY 2 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 12. *Salvum me fac.*

HELP me, Lord, for there is not one godly man left : for the faithful are minished from among the children of men.

2 They talk of vanity every one with his neighbour : they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.

3 The Lord shall root out all deceitful lips : and the tongue that speaketh proud things;

4 Which have said, With our tongue will we prevail : we are they that ought to speak, who is lord over us?

5 Now for the comfortless trouble's sake of the needy : and because of the deep sighing of the poor,

6 I will up, saith the Lord : and will help every one from him that swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.

7 The words of the Lord are pure words : even as the silver, which from the earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.

8 Thou shalt keep them, O Lord : thou shalt preserve him from this generation for ever.

9 The ungodly walk on every side : when they are exalted, the children of men are put to rebuke.

PSALM 13. *Usque quo, Domine?*

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever : how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

2 How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart : how long shall mine enemies triumph over me?

3 Consider, and hear me, O Lord my God : lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him : for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.

5 But my trust is in thy mercy : and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.

6 I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me : yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

PSALM 14. *Dixit insipiens.*

THE fool hath said in his heart : There is no God.

2 They are corrupt, and become abominable in their doings : there is none that doeth good, no not one.

3 The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men : to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

4 But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable : there is none that doeth good, no not one.

5 Their throat is an open sepulchre, with their tongues have they deceived : the poison of asps is under their lips.

6 Their mouth is full of cursing and bitterness : their feet are swift to shed blood.

7 Destruction and unhappiness is in their ways, and the way of peace have they not known : there is no fear of God before their eyes.

8 Have they no knowledge, that they are all such workers of mischief : eating up my people as it were bread, and call not upon the Lord?

9 There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was : for God is in the generation of the righteous.

10 As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor : because he putteth his trust in the Lord.

11 Who shall give salvation unto Israel out of Sion? When the Lord turneth the captivity of his people : then shall Jacob rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

DAY 3 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 15. *Domine, quis habitabit?*

LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle : or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

2 Even he that leadeth an uncorrupt life : and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.

3 He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour : and hath not slandered his neighbour.

4 He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes : and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

5 He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not : though it were to his own hindrance.

6 He that hath not given his money upon usury : nor taken reward against the innocent.

7 Whoso doeth these things : shall never fall.

PSALM 16. *Conserva me, Domine.*

PRESERVE me, O God : for in thee have I put my trust.

2 O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord : Thou art my God, my goods are nothing unto thee.

3 All my delight is upon the saints, that are in the earth : and upon such as excel in virtue.

4 But they that run after another god : shall have great trouble.

5 Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer : neither make mention of their names within my lips.

6 The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup : thou shalt maintain my lot.

7 The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground : yea, I have a goodly heritage.

8 I will thank the Lord for giving me warning : my reins also chasten me in the night-season.

9 I have set God always before me : for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

10 Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced : my flesh also shall rest in hope.

11 For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell : neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.

12 Thou shalt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy : and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

PSALM 17. *Exaudi, Domine.*

HEAR the right, O Lord, consider my complaint : and hearken unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.

2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence : and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal.

3 Thou hast proved and visited mine heart in the night-season; thou hast tried me, and shalt find no wickedness in me : for I am utterly purposed that my mouth shall not offend.

4 Because of men's works, that are done against the words of thy lips : I have kept me from the ways of the destroyer.

5 O hold thou up my goings in thy paths : that my footsteps slip not.

6 I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me : incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words.

7 Shew thy marvellous loving-kindness, thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee : from such as resist thy right hand.

8 Keep me as the apple of an eye : hide me under the shadow of thy wings,

9 From the ungodly that trouble me : mine enemies compass me round about to take away my soul.

10 They are inclosed in their own fat : and their mouth speaketh proud things.

11 They lie waiting in our way on every side : turning their eyes down to the ground;

12 Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey : and as it were a lion's whelp, lurking in secret places.

13 Up, Lord, disappoint him, and cast him down : deliver my soul from the ungodly, which is a sword of thine;

14 From the men of thy hand, O Lord, from the men, I say, and from the evil world : which have their portion in this life, whose bellies thou fillest with thy hid treasure.

15 They have children at their desire : and leave the rest of their substance for their babes.

16 But as for me, I will behold thy presence in righteousness : and when I awake up after thy likeness, I shall be satisfied with it.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 3

PSALM 18. *Diligam te, Domine.*

I WILL love thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence : my Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust, my buckler, the horn also of my salvation, and my refuge.

2 I will call upon the Lord, which is worthy to be praised : so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

3 The sorrows of death compassed me : and the overflowings of ungodliness made me afraid.

4 The pains of hell came about me : the snares of death overtook me.

5 In my trouble I will call upon the Lord : and complain unto my God.

6 So shall he hear my voice out of his holy temple : and my complaint shall come before him, it shall enter even into his ears.

7 The earth trembled and quaked : the very foundations also of the hills shook, and were removed, because he was wroth.

8 There went a smoke out in his presence : and a consuming fire out of his mouth, so that coals were kindled at it.

9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down : and it was dark under his feet.

10 He rode upon the cherubins, and did fly : he came flying upon the wings of the wind.

11 He made darkness his secret place : his pavilion round about him, with dark water and thick clouds to cover him.

12 At the brightness of his presence his clouds removed : hail-stones, and coals of fire.

13 The Lord also thundered out of heaven, and the Highest gave his thunder : hail-stones, and coals of fire.

14 He sent out his arrows, and scattered them : he cast forth lightnings, and destroyed them.

15 The springs of waters were seen, and the foundations of the round world were discovered, at thy chiding, O Lord : at the blasting of the breath of thy displeasure.

16 He shall send down from on high to fetch me : and shall take me out of many waters.

17 He shall deliver me from my strongest enemy, and from them which hate me : for they are too mighty for me.

18 They prevented me in the day of my trouble : but the Lord was my upholder.

19 He brought me forth also into a place of liberty : he brought me forth, even because he had a favour unto me.

20 The Lord shall reward me after my righteous dealing : according to the cleanness of my hands shall he recompense me.

21 Because I have kept the ways of the Lord : and have not forsaken my God, as the wicked doth.

22 For I have an eye unto all his laws : and will not cast out his commandments from me.

23 I was also uncorrupt before him : and eschewed mine own wickedness.

24 Therefore shall the Lord reward me after my righteous dealing : and according unto the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.

25 With the holy thou shalt be holy : and with a perfect man thou shalt be perfect.

26 With the clean thou shalt be clean : and with the froward thou shalt learn frowardness.

27 For thou shalt save the people that are in adversity : and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud.

28 Thou also shalt light my candle : the Lord my God shall make my darkness to be light.

29 For in thee I shall discomfit an host of men : and with the help of my God I shall leap over the wall.

30 The way of God is an undefiled way : the word of the Lord also is tried in the fire; he is the defender of all them that put their trust in him.

31 For who is God, but the Lord : or who hath any strength, except our God?

32 It is God, that girdeth me with strength of war : and maketh my way perfect.

33 He maketh my feet like harts' feet : and setteth me up on high.

34 He teacheth mine hands to fight : and mine arms shall break even a bow of steel.

35 Thou hast given me the defence of thy salvation : thy right hand also shall hold me up, and thy loving correction shall make me great.

36 Thou shalt make room enough under me for to go : that my footsteps shall not slide.

37 I will follow upon mine enemies, and overtake them : neither will I turn again till I have destroyed them.

38 I will smite them, that they shall not be able to stand : but fall under my feet.

39 Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle : thou shalt throw down mine enemies under me.

40 Thou hast made mine enemies also to turn their backs upon me : and I shall destroy them that hate me.

41 They shall cry, but there shall be none to help them : yea, even unto the Lord shall they cry, but he shall not hear them.

42 I will beat them as small as the dust before the wind : I will cast them out as the clay in the streets.

43 Thou shalt deliver me from the strivings of the people : and thou shalt make me the head of the heathen.

44 A people whom I have not known : shall serve me.

45 As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me : but the strange children shall dissemble with me.

46 The strange children shall fail : and be afraid out of their prisons.

47 The Lord liveth, and blessed be my strong helper : and praised be the God of my salvation;

48 Even the God that seeth that I be avenged: and subdueth the people unto me.

49 It is he that delivereth me from my cruel enemies, and setteth me up above mine adversaries : thou shalt rid me from the wicked man.

50 For this cause will I give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles : and sing praises unto thy Name.

51 Great prosperity giveth he unto his King: and sheweth loving-kindness unto David his Anointed, and unto his seed for evermore.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 4

PSALM 19. *Caeli enarrant.*

THE heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament sheweth his handy-work.

2 One day telleth another : and one night certifieth another.

3 There is neither speech nor language : but their voices are heard among them.

4 Their sound is gone out into all lands : and their words into the ends of the world.

5 In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun : which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again : and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul : the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart : the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever : the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold : sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.

11 Moreover, by them is thy servant taught : and in keeping of them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how oft he offendeth : O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.

13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me : so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart : be alway acceptable in thy sight,

15 O Lord : my strength, and my redeemer.

PSALM 20. *Exaudiat te Dominus.*

THE Lord hear thee in the day of trouble : the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee;

2 Send thee help from the sanctuary : and strengthen thee out of Sion;

3 Remember all thy offerings : and accept thy burnt-sacrifice;

4 Grant thee thy heart's desire : and fulfil all thy mind.

5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God : the Lord perform all thy petitions.

6 Now know I that the Lord helpeth his Anointed, and will hear him from his holy heaven : even with the wholesome strength of his right hand.

7 Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses : but we will remember the Name of the Lord our God.

8 They are brought down, and fallen : but we are risen, and stand upright.

9 Save, Lord, and hear us, O King of heaven : when we call upon thee.

PSALM 21. *Domine, in virtute tua.*

THE King shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord : exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation.

2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire : and hast not denied him the request of his lips.

3 For thou shalt prevent him with the blessings of goodness : and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head.

4 He asked life of thee, and thou gavest him a long life : even for ever and ever.

5 His honour is great in thy salvation : glory and great worship shalt thou lay upon him.

6 For thou shalt give him everlasting felicity : and make him glad with the joy of thy countenance.

7 And why? because the King putteth his trust in the Lord : and in the mercy of the most Highest he shall not miscarry.

8 All thine enemies shall feel thine hand : thy right hand shall find out them that hate thee.

9 Thou shalt make them like a fiery oven in time of thy wrath : the Lord shall destroy them in his displeasure, and the fire shall consume them.

10 Their fruit shalt thou root out of the earth : and their seed from among the children of men.

11 For they intended mischief against thee : and imagined such a device as they are not able to perform.

12 Therefore shalt thou put them to flight : and the strings of thy bow shalt thou make ready against the face of them.

13 Be thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength : so will we sing, and praise thy power.

DAY 4 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 22. *Deus, Deus meus.*

MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me : and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

2 O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not : and in the night-season also I take no rest.

3 And thou continuest holy : O thou worship of Israel.

4 Our fathers hoped in thee : they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

5 They called upon thee, and were holpen : they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But as for me, I am a worm, and no man : a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn : they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

8 He trusted in God, that he would deliver him : let him deliver him, if he will have him.

9 But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb : thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

10 I have been left unto thee ever since I was born : thou art my God, even from my mother's womb.

11 O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand : and there is none to help me.

12 Many oxen are come about me : fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.

13 They gape upon me with their mouths : as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint : my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums : and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.

16 For many dogs are come about me : and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

17 They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones : they stand staring and looking upon me.

18 They part my garments among them : and cast lots upon my vesture.

19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord : thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword : my darling from the power of the dog.

21 Save me from the lion's mouth : thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

22 I will declare thy Name unto my brethren : in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him : magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;

24 For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor : he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.

25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation : my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied : they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.

27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord : and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

28 For the kingdom is the Lord's : and he is the Governor among the people.

29 All such as be fat upon earth : have eaten and worshipped.

30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him : and no man hath quickened his own soul.

31 My seed shall serve him : they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

32 They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness : unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

PSALM 23. *Dominus regit me.*

THE Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 5

PSALM 24. *Domini est terra.*

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart : and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord : and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek him : even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is the King of glory : it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is the King of glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

PSALM 25. *Ad te, Domine, levavi.*

UNTO thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee : O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

2 For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed : but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

3 Shew me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths.

4 Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me : for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

5 Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies : and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

6 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth : but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

7 Gracious and righteous is the Lord : therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

8 Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement : and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.

9 All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth : unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

10 For thy Name's sake, O Lord : be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.

11 What man is he that feareth the Lord : him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.

12 His soul shall dwell at ease : and his seed shall inherit the land.

13 The secret of the Lord is among them that fear him : and he will shew them his covenant.

14 Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord : for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

15 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me : for I am desolate and in misery.

16 The sorrows of my heart are enlarged : O bring thou me out of my troubles.

17 Look upon my adversity and misery : and forgive me all my sin.

18 Consider mine enemies, how many they are : and they bear a tyrannous hate against me.

19 O keep my soul, and deliver me : let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in thee.

20 Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me : for my hope hath been in thee.

21 Deliver Israel, O God : out of all his troubles.

PSALM 26. *Judica me, Domine.*

BE thou my Judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently : my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fall.

2 Examine me, O Lord, and prove me : try out my reins and my heart.

3 For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes : and I will walk in thy truth.

4 I have not dwelt with vain persons : neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.

5 I have hated the congregation of the wicked : and will not sit among the ungodly.

6 I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord : and so will I go to thine altar;

7 That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving : and tell of all thy wondrous works.

8 Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house : and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

9 O shut not up my soul with the sinners : nor my life with the blood-thirsty;

10 In whose hands is wickedness : and their right hand is full of gifts.

11 But as for me, I will walk innocently : O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.

12 My foot standeth right : I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

DAY 5 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 27. *Dominus illuminatio.*

THE Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear : the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh : they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid : and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle : yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

6 And now shall he lift up mine head : above mine enemies round about me.

7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness : I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

8 Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee : have mercy upon me, and hear me.

9 My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face : Thy face, Lord, will I seek.

10 O hide not thou thy face from me : nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.

11 Thou hast been my succour : leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

12 When my father and my mother forsake me : the Lord taketh me up.

13 Teach me thy way, O Lord : and lead me in the right way, because of mine enemies.

14 Deliver me not over into the will of mine adversaries : for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong.

15 I should utterly have fainted : but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

16 O tarry thou the Lord's leisure : be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

PSALM 28. *Ad te, Domine.*

UNTO thee will I cry, O Lord my strength : think no scorn of me; lest, if thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit.

2 Hear the voice of my humble petitions, when I cry unto thee : when I hold up my hands towards the mercy-seat of thy holy temple.

3 O pluck me not away, neither destroy me, with the ungodly and wicked doers : which speak friendly to their neighbours, but imagine mischief in their hearts.

4 Reward them according to their deeds : and according to the wickedness of their own inventions.

5 Recompense them after the work of their hands : pay them that they have deserved.

6 For they regard not in their mind the works of the Lord, nor the operation of his hands : therefore shall he break them down, and not build them up.

7 Praised be the Lord : for he hath heard the voice of my humble petitions.

8 The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart hath trusted in him, and I am helped : therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him.

9 The Lord is my strength : and he is the wholesome defence of his Anointed.

10 O save thy people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance : feed them, and set them up for ever.

PSALM 29. *Afferte Domino.*

BRING unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young rams unto the Lord : ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.

2 Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name : worship the Lord with holy worship.

3 It is the Lord that commandeth the waters : it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

4 It is the Lord that ruleth the sea; the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation : the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

5 The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees : yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf : Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness : yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades.

8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes : in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.

9 The Lord sitteth above the water-flood : and the Lord remaineth a King for ever.

10 The Lord shall give strength unto his people : the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 30. *Exaltabo te, Domine.*

I WILL magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up : and not made my foes to triumph over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried unto thee : and thou hast healed me.

3 Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul out of hell : thou hast kept my life from them that go down to the pit.

4 Sing praises unto the Lord, O ye saints of his : and give thanks unto him for a remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endureth but the twinkling of an eye, and in his pleasure is life : heaviness may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

6 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be removed : thou, Lord, of thy goodness hast made my hill so strong.

7 Thou didst turn thy face from me : and I was troubled.

8 Then cried I unto thee, O Lord : and gat me to my Lord right humbly.

9 What profit is there in my blood : when I go down to the pit?

10 Shall the dust give thanks unto thee : or shall it declare thy truth?

11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me : Lord, be thou my helper.

12 Thou hast turned my heaviness into joy : thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness.

13 Therefore shall every good man sing of thy praise without ceasing : O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

PSALM 31. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine ear to me : make haste to deliver me.

3 And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence : that thou mayest save me.

4 For thou art my strong rock, and my castle : be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.

5 Draw me out of the net that they have laid privily for me : for thou art my strength.

6 Into thy hands I commend my spirit : for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

7 I have hated them that hold of superstitious vanities : and my trust hath been in the Lord.

8 I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy : for thou hast considered my trouble, and hast known my soul in adversities.

9 Thou hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy : but hast set my feet in a large room.

10 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble : and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness; yea, my soul and my body.

11 For my life is waxen old with heaviness : and my years with mourning.

12 My strength faileth me, because of mine iniquity : and my bones are consumed.

13 I became a reproof among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours : and they of mine acquaintance were afraid of me; and they that did see me without conveyed themselves from me.

14 I am clean forgotten, as a dead man out of mind : I am become like a broken vessel.

15 For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude : and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me, and take their counsel to take away my life.

16 But my hope hath been in thee, O Lord : I have said, Thou art my God.

17 My time is in thy hand; deliver me from the hand of mine enemies : and from them that persecute me.

18 Shew thy servant the light of thy countenance : and save me for thy mercy's sake.

19 Let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon thee : let the ungodly be put to confusion, and be put to silence in the grave.

20 Let the lying lips be put to silence : which cruelly, disdainfully, and despitefully, speak against the righteous.

21 O how plentiful is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee : and that thou hast prepared for them that put their trust in thee, even before the sons of men!

22 Thou shalt hide them privily by thine own presence from the provoking of all men : thou shalt keep them secretly in thy tabernacle from the strife of tongues.

23 Thanks be to the Lord : for he hath shewed me marvellous great kindness in a strong city.

24 And when I made haste, I said : I am cast out of the sight of thine eyes.

25 Nevertheless, thou heardest the voice of my prayer : when I cried unto thee.

26 O love the Lord, all ye his saints : for the Lord preserveth them that are faithful, and plenteously rewardeth the proud doer.

27 Be strong, and he shall establish your heart : all ye that put your trust in the Lord.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 6

PSALM 32. *Beati, quorum.*

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven : and whose sin is covered.

2 Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin : and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3 For while I held my tongue : my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.

4 For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night : and my moisture is like the drought in summer.

5 I will acknowledge my sin unto thee : and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

6 I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord : and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

7 For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found : but in the great waterfloods they shall not come nigh him.

8 Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble : thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

9 I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go : and I will guide thee with mine eye.

10 Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding : whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

11 Great plagues remain for the ungodly : but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

12 Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord : and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

PSALM 33. *Exultate, justi.*

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

2 Praise the Lord with harp : sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing unto the Lord a new song : sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.

4 For the word of the Lord is true : and all his works are faithful.

5 He loveth righteousness and judgement : the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made : and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap : and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.

8 Let all the earth fear the Lord : stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.

9 For he spake, and it was done : he commanded, and it stood fast.

10 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought : and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.

11 The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever : and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.

12 Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah : and blessed are the folk, that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.

13 The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men : from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.

14 He fashioneth all the hearts of them : and understandeth all their works.

15 There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host : neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.

16 A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man : neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.

17 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him : and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;

18 To deliver their soul from death : and to feed them in the time of dearth.

19 Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord : for he is our help and our shield.

20 For our heart shall rejoice in him : because we have hoped in his holy Name.

21 Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us : like as we do put our trust in thee.

PSALM 34. *Benedicam Domino.*

I WILL alway give thanks unto the Lord : his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord : the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
3 O praise the Lord with me : and let us magnify his Name together.
4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me : yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.
5 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened : and their faces were not ashamed.
6 Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him : yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.
7 The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him : and delivereth them.
8 O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is : blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
9 O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints : for they that fear him lack nothing.
10 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger : but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.
11 Come, ye children, and hearken unto me : I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
12 What man is he that lusteth to live : and would fain see good days?
13 Keep thy tongue from evil : and thy lips, that they speak no guile.
14 Eschew evil, and do good : seek peace, and ensue it.
15 The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.
16 The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil : to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them : and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

19 Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

20 He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.

21 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly : and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

22 The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants : and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 7

PSALM 35. *Judica, Domine.*

PLEAD thou my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me : and fight thou against them that fight against me.

2 Lay hand upon the shield and buckler : and stand up to help me.

3 Bring forth the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me : say unto my soul, I am thy salvation.

4 Let them be confounded and put to shame, that seek after my soul : let them be turned back and brought to confusion, that imagine mischief for me.

5 Let them be as the dust before the wind : and the angel of the Lord scattering them.

6 Let their way be dark and slippery : and let the angel of the Lord persecute them.

7 For they have privily laid their net to destroy me without a cause : yea, even without a cause have they made a pit for my soul.

8 Let a sudden destruction come upon him unawares, and his net, that he hath laid privily, catch himself : that he may fall into his own mischief.

9 And, my soul, be joyful in the Lord : it shall rejoice in his salvation.

10 All my bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto thee, who deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him : yea, the poor, and him that is in misery, from him that spoileth him?

11 False witnesses did rise up : they laid to my charge things that I knew not.

12 They rewarded me evil for good : to the great discomfort of my soul.

13 Nevertheless, when they were sick, I put on sackcloth, and humbled my soul with fasting : and my prayer shall turn into mine own bosom.

14 I behaved myself as though it had been my friend or my brother : I went heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.

15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together : yea, the very abjects came together against me unawares, making mouths at me, and ceased not.

16 With the flatterers were busy mockers : who gnashed upon me with their teeth.

17 Lord, how long wilt thou look upon this : O deliver my soul from the calamities which they bring on me, and my darling from the lions.

18 So will I give thee thanks in the great congregation : I will praise thee among much people.

19 O let not them that are mine enemies triumph over me ungodly : neither let them wink with their eyes that hate me without a cause.

20 And why? their communing is not for peace : but they imagine deceitful words against them that are quiet in the land.

21 They gaped upon me with their mouths, and said : Fie on thee, fie on thee, we saw it with our eyes.

22 This thou hast seen, O Lord : hold not thy tongue then, go not far from me, O Lord.

23 Awake, and stand up to judge my quarrel : avenge thou my cause, my God, and my Lord.

24 Judge me, O Lord my God, according to thy righteousness : and let them not triumph over me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts, There, there, so would we have it : neither let them say, We have devoured him.

26 Let them be put to confusion and shame together, that rejoice at my trouble : let them be clothed with rebuke and dishonour, that boast themselves against me.

27 Let them be glad and rejoice, that favour my righteous dealing : yea, let them say alway, Blessed be the Lord, who hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

28 And as for my tongue, it shall be talking of thy righteousness : and of thy praise all the day long.

PSALM 36. *Dixit injustus.*

MY heart sheweth me the wickedness of the ungodly : that there is no fear of God before his eyes.

2 For he flattereth himself in his own sight : until his abominable sin be found out.

3 The words of his mouth are unrighteous, and full of deceit : he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.

4 He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way : neither doth he abhor any thing that is evil.

5 Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens : and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

6 Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains : thy judgements are like the great deep.

7 Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast; How excellent is thy mercy, O God : and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

8 They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house : and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river.

9 For with thee is the well of life : and in thy light shall we see light.

10 O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee : and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

11 O let not the foot of pride come against me : and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.

12 There are they fallen, all that work wickedness : they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 37. *Noli aemulari.*

FRET not thyself because of the ungodly : neither be thou envious against the evil-doers.

2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass : and be withered even as the green herb.

3 Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good : dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight thou in the Lord : and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.

5 Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him : and he shall bring it to pass.

6 He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light : and thy just dealing as the noon-day.

7 Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him : but grieve not thyself at him whose way doth prosper, against the man that doeth after evil counsels.

8 Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure : fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.

9 Wicked doers shall be rooted out : and they that patiently abide the Lord, those shall inherit the land.

10 Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone : thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.

11 But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth : and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace.

12 The ungodly seeketh counsel against the just : and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

13 The Lord shall laugh him to scorn : for he hath seen that his day is coming.

14 The ungodly have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow : to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as are of a right conversation.

15 Their sword shall go through their own heart : and their bow shall be broken.

16 A small thing that the righteous hath : is better than great riches of the ungodly.

17 For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken : and the Lord upholdeth the righteous.

18 The Lord knoweth the days of the godly : and their inheritance shall endure for ever.

19 They shall not be confounded in the perilous time : and in the days of dearth they shall have enough.

20 As for the ungodly, they shall perish; and the enemies of the Lord shall consume as the fat of lambs : yea, even as the smoke shall they consume away.

21 The ungodly borroweth, and payeth not again : but the righteous is merciful and liberal.

22 Such as are blessed of God shall possess the land : and they that are cursed of him shall be rooted out.

23 The Lord ordereth a good man's going : and maketh his way acceptable to himself.

24 Though he fall, he shall not be cast away : for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.

25 I have been young, and now am old : and yet saw I never the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging their bread.

26 The righteous is ever merciful, and lendeth : and his seed is blessed.

27 Flee from evil, and do the thing that is good : and dwell for evermore.

28 For the Lord loveth the thing that is right : he forsaketh not his that be godly, but they are preserved for ever.

29 The unrighteous shall be punished : as for the seed of the ungodly, it shall be rooted out.

30 The righteous shall inherit the land : and dwell therein for ever.

31 The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom : and his tongue will be talking of judgement.

32 The law of his God is in his heart : and his goings shall not slide.

33 The ungodly seeth the righteous : and seeketh occasion to slay him.

34 The Lord will not leave him in his hand : nor condemn him when he is judged.

35 Hope thou in the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall promote thee, that thou shalt possess the land : when the ungodly shall perish, thou shalt see it.

36 I myself have seen the ungodly in great power : and flourishing like a green bay-tree.

37 I went by, and lo, he was gone : I sought him, but his place could no where be found.

38 Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right : for that shall bring a man peace at the last.

39 As for the transgressors, they shall perish together : and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.

40 But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord : who is also their strength in the time of trouble.

41 And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them : he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.

DAY 8 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 38. *Domine, ne in furore.*

PUT me not to rebuke, O Lord, in thine anger : neither chasten me in thy heavy displeasure.

2 For thine arrows stick fast in me : and thy hand presseth me sore.

3 There is no health in my flesh, because of thy displeasure : neither is there any rest in my bones, by reason of my sin.

4 For my wickednesses are gone over my head : and are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear.

5 My wounds stink, and are corrupt : through my foolishness.

6 I am brought into so great trouble and misery : that I go mourning all the day long.

7 For my loins are filled with a sore disease : and there is no whole part in my body.

8 I am feeble, and sore smitten : I have roared for the very disquietness of my heart.

9 Lord, thou knowest all my desire : and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10 My heart panteth, my strength hath failed me : and the sight of mine eyes is gone from me.

11 My lovers and my neighbours did stand looking upon my trouble : and my kinsmen stood afar off.

12 They also that sought after my life laid snares for me : and they that went about to do me evil talked of wickedness, and imagined deceit all the day long.

13 As for me, I was like a deaf man, and heard not : and as one that is dumb, who doth not open his mouth.

14 I became even as a man that heareth not : and in whose mouth are no reproofs.

15 For in thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : thou shalt answer for me, O Lord my God.

16 I have required that they, even mine enemies, should not triumph over me : for when my foot slipped, they rejoiced greatly against me.

17 And I, truly, am set in the plague : and my heaviness is ever in my sight.

18 For I will confess my wickedness : and be sorry for my sin.

19 But mine enemies live, and are mighty : and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.

20 They also that reward evil for good are against me : because I follow the thing that good is.

21 Forsake me not, O Lord my God : be not thou far from me.

22 Haste thee to help me : O Lord God of my salvation.

PSALM 39. *Dixi, Custodiam.*

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways : that I offend not in my tongue.

2 I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle : while the ungodly is in my sight.

3 I held my tongue, and spake nothing : I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

4 My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled : and at the last I spake with my tongue;

5 Lord, let me know mine end, and the number of my days : that I may be certified how long I have to live.

6 Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long : and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

7 For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain : he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

8 And now, Lord, what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee.

9 Deliver me from all mine offences : and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

10 I became dumb, and opened not my mouth : for it was thy doing.

11 Take thy plague away from me : I am even consumed by the means of thy heavy hand.

12 When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment : every man therefore is but vanity.

13 Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears.

14 For I am a stranger with thee : and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.

15 O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength : before I go hence, and be no more seen.

PSALM 40. *Expectans expectavi.*

I WAITED patiently for the Lord : and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.
2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay : and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.
3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth : even a thanksgiving unto our God.
4 Many shall see it, and fear : and shall put their trust in the Lord.
5 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord : and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.
6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward : and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.
7 If I should declare them, and speak of them : they should be more than I am able to express.
8 Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest not : but mine ears hast thou opened.
9 Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required : then said I, Lo, I come,
10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God : I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.
11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation : lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.
12 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart : my talk hath been of thy truth and of thy salvation.
13 I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth : from the great congregation.

14 Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord : let thy loving-kindness and thy truth alway preserve me.

15 For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me that I am not able to look up : yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me.

16 O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me : make haste, O Lord, to help me.

17 Let them be ashamed and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it : let them be driven backward and put to rebuke, that wish me evil.

18 Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame : that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee.

19 Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee : and let such as love thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.

20 As for me, I am poor and needy : but the Lord careth for me.

21 Thou art my helper and redeemer : make no long tarrying, O my God.

DAY 8 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 41. *Beatus qui intelligit.*

BLESSED is he that considereth the poor and needy : the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble.

2 The Lord preserve him, and keep him alive, that he may be blessed upon earth : and deliver not thou him into the will of his enemies.

3 The Lord comfort him, when he lieth sick upon his bed : make thou all his bed in his sickness.

4 I said, Lord, be merciful unto me : heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.
5 Mine enemies speak evil of me : When shall he die, and his name perish?
6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity : and his heart conceiveth falsehood within himself, and when he cometh forth he telleth it.
7 All mine enemies whisper together against me : even against me do they imagine this evil.
8 Let the sentence of guiltiness proceed against him : and now that he lieth, let him rise up no more.
9 Yea, even mine own familiar friend, whom I trusted : who did also eat of my bread, hath laid great wait for me.
10 But be thou merciful unto me, O Lord : raise thou me up again, and I shall reward them.
11 By this I know thou favourest me : that mine enemy doth not triumph against me.
12 And when I am in my health, thou upholdest me : and shalt set me before thy face for ever.
13 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel : world without end. Amen.

PSALM 42. *Quemadmodum.*

LIKE as the hart desireth the water-brooks : so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
2 My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God : when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
3 My tears have been my meat day and night : while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

4 Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself : for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;

5 In the voice of praise and thanksgiving : among such as keep holy-day.

6 Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

7 Put thy trust in God : for I will yet give him thanks for the help of his countenance.

8 My God, my soul is vexed within me : therefore will I remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.

9 One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-pipes : all thy waves and storms are gone over me.

10 The Lord hath granted his loving-kindness in the day-time : and in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.

11 I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou forgotten me : why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

12 My bones are smitten asunder as with a sword : while mine enemies that trouble me cast me in the teeth;

13 Namely, while they say daily unto me : Where is now thy God?

14 Why art thou so vexed, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

15 O put thy trust in God : for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

PSALM 43. *Judica me, Deus.*

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people : O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

2 For thou art the God of my strength, why hast thou put me from thee : and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

3 O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me : and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

4 And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness : and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

5 Why art thou so heavy, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

6 O put thy trust in God : for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 9

PSALM 44. *Deus, auribus.*

WE have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us : what thou hast done in their time of old;

2 How thou hast driven out the heathen with thy hand, and planted them in : how thou hast destroyed the nations and cast them out.

3 For they gat not the land in possession through their own sword : neither was it their own arm that helped them;

4 But thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance : because thou hadst a favour unto them.

5 Thou art my King, O God : send help unto Jacob.

6 Through thee will we overthrow our enemies : and in thy Name will we tread them under, that rise up against us.

7 For I will not trust in my bow : it is not my sword that shall help me;

8 But it is thou that savest us from our enemies : and puttest them to confusion that hate us.

9 We make our boast of God all day long : and will praise thy Name for ever.

10 But now thou art far off, and puttest us to confusion : and goest not forth with our armies.

11 Thou makest us to turn our backs upon our enemies : so that they which hate us spoil our goods.

12 Thou lettest us be eaten up like sheep : and hast scattered us among the heathen.

13 Thou sellest thy people for nought : and takest no money for them.

14 Thou makest us to be rebuked of our neighbours : to be laughed to scorn, and had in derision of them that are round about us.

15 Thou makest us to be a by-word among the heathen : and that the people shake their heads at us.

16 My confusion is daily before me : and the shame of my face hath covered me;

17 For the voice of the slanderer and blasphemer : for the enemy and avenger.

18 And though all this be come upon us, yet do we not forget thee : nor behave ourselves frowardly in thy covenant.

19 Our heart is not turned back : neither our steps gone out of thy way;

20 No, not when thou hast smitten us into the place of dragons : and covered us with the shadow of death.

21 If we have forgotten the Name of our God, and holden up our hands to any strange god : shall not God search it out? for he knoweth the very secrets of the heart.

22 For thy sake also are we killed all the day long : and are counted as sheep appointed to be slain.

23 Up, Lord, why sleepest thou : awake, and be not absent from us for ever.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face : and forgettest our misery and trouble?

25 For our soul is brought low, even unto the dust : our belly cleaveth unto the ground.

26 Arise, and help us : and deliver us for thy mercy's sake.

PSALM 45. *Eructavit cor meum.*

MY heart is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.

2 My tongue is the pen : of a ready writer.

3 Thou art fairer than the children of men : full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.

4 Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most Mighty : according to thy worship and renown.

5 Good luck have thou with thine honour : ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

6 Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto thee : even in the midst among the King's enemies.

7 Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever : the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

8 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity : wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

9 All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia : out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

10 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women : upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

11 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear : forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.

12 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty : for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.

13 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift : like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee.

14 The King's daughter is all glorious within : her clothing is of wrought gold.

15 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work : the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.

16 With joy and gladness shall they be brought : and shall enter into the King's palace.

17 Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children : whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

18 I will remember thy Name from one generation to another : therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.

PSALM 46. *Deus noster refugium.*

GOD is our hope and strength : a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved : and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;

3 Though the waters thereof rage and swell : and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

4 The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God : the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.

5 God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed : God shall help her, and that right early.

6 The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved : but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

7 The Lord of hosts is with us : the God of Jacob is our refuge.

8 O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord : what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

9 He maketh wars to cease in all the world : he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.

10 Be still then, and know that I am God : I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The Lord of hosts is with us : the God of Jacob is our refuge.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 47. *Omnes gentes, plaudite.*

O CLAP your hands together, all ye people : O sing unto God with the voice of melody.

2 For the Lord is high, and to be feared : he is the great King upon all the earth.

3 He shall subdue the people under us : and the nations under our feet.

4 He shall choose out an heritage for us : even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.

5 God is gone up with a merry noise : and the Lord with the sound of the trump.

6 O sing praises, sing praises unto our God : O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.

7 For God is the King of all the earth : sing ye praises with understanding.

8 God reigneth over the heathen : God sitteth upon his holy seat.

9 The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham : for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.

PSALM 48. *Magnus Dominus.*

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised : in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

2 The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth : upon the north-side lieth the city of the great King; God is well known in her palaces as a sure refuge.

3 For lo, the kings of the earth : are gathered, and gone by together.

4 They marvelled to see such things : they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.
5 Fear came there upon them, and sorrow : as upon a woman in her travail.
6 Thou shalt break the ships of the sea : through the east-wind.
7 Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God : God upholdeth the same for ever.
8 We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God : in the midst of thy temple.
9 O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end : thy right hand is full of righteousness.
10 Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughter of Judah be glad : because of thy judgements.
11 Walk about Sion, and go round about her : and tell the towers thereof.
12 Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses : that ye may tell them that come after.
13 For this God is our God for ever and ever : he shall be our guide unto death.

PSALM 49. *Audite haec, omnes.*

O HEAR ye this, all ye people : ponder it with your ears, all ye that dwell in the world;
2 High and low, rich and poor : one with another.
3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom : and my heart shall muse of understanding.
4 I will incline mine ear to the parable : and shew my dark speech upon the harp.
5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness : and when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round about?

6 There be some that put their trust in their goods : and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.

7 But no man may deliver his brother : nor make agreement unto God for him;

8 For it cost more to redeem their souls : so that he must let that alone for ever;

9 Yea, though he live long : and see not the grave.

10 For he seeth that wise men also die, and perish together : as well as the ignorant and foolish, and leave their riches for other.

11 And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever : and that their dwelling-places shall endure from one generation to another; and call the lands after their own names.

12 Nevertheless, man will not abide in honour : seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish; this is the way of them.

13 This is their foolishness : and their posterity praise their saying.

14 They lie in the hell like sheep, death gnaweth upon them, and the righteous shall have domination over them in the morning : their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre out of their dwelling.

15 But God hath delivered my soul from the place of hell : for he shall receive me.

16 Be not thou afraid, though one be made rich : or if the glory of his house be increased;

17 For he shall carry nothing away with him when he dieth : neither shall his pomp follow him.

18 For while he lived, he counted himself an happy man : and so long as thou doest well unto thyself, men will speak good of thee.

19 He shall follow the generation of his fathers : and shall never see light.

20 Man being in honour hath no understanding : but is compared unto the beasts that perish.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 10

PSALM 50. *Deus deorum.*

THE Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken : and called the world, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.

2 Out of Sion hath God appeared : in perfect beauty.

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence : there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

4 He shall call the heaven from above : and the earth, that he may judge his people.

5 Gather my saints together unto me : those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness : for God is Judge himself.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak : I myself will testify against thee, O Israel; for I am God, even thy God.

8 I will not reprove thee because of thy sacrifices, or for thy burnt-offerings : because they were not alway before me.

9 I will take no bullock out of thine house : nor he-goat out of thy folds.

10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine : and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls upon the mountains : and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.

12 If I be hungry, I will not tell thee : for the whole world is mine, and all that is therein.

13 Thinkest thou that I will eat bulls' flesh : and drink the blood of goats?

14 Offer unto God thanksgiving : and pay thy vows unto the most Highest.

15 And call upon me in the time of trouble : so will I hear thee, and thou shalt praise me.

16 But unto the ungodly said God : Why dost thou preach my laws, and takest my covenant in thy mouth;

17 Whereas thou hatest to be reformed : and hast cast my words behind thee?

18 When thou sawest a thief, thou consentedst unto him : and hast been partaker with the adulterers.

19 Thou hast let thy mouth speak wickedness : and with thy tongue thou hast set forth deceit.

20 Thou satest, and spakest against thy brother : yea, and hast slandered thine own mother's son.

21 These things hast thou done, and I held my tongue, and thou thoughtest wickedly, that I am even such a one as thyself : but I will reprove thee, and set before thee the things that thou hast done.

22 O consider this, ye that forget God : lest I pluck you away, and there be none to deliver you.

23 Whoso offereth me thanks and praise, he honoureth me : and to him that ordereth his conversation right will I shew the salvation of God.

PSALM 51. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness : according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

2 Wash me throughly from my wickedness : and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my faults : and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight : that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

5 Behold, I was shapen in wickedness : and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

6 But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts : and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

7 Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean : thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness : that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9 Turn thy face from my sins : and put out all my misdeeds.

10 Make me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from thy presence : and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

12 O give me the comfort of thy help again : and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

13 Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked : and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health : and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

15 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord : and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee : but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

18 O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations : then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

PSALM 52. *Quid gloriaris?*

WHY boastest thou thyself, thou tyrant : that thou canst do mischief;

2 Whereas the goodness of God : endureth yet daily?

3 Thy tongue imagineth wickedness : and with lies thou cuttest like a sharp rasor.

4 Thou hast loved unrighteousness more than goodness : and to talk of lies more than righteousness.

5 Thou hast loved to speak all words that may do hurt : O thou false tongue.

6 Therefore shall God destroy thee for ever : he shall take thee, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling, and root thee out of the land of the living.

7 The righteous also shall see this, and fear : and shall laugh him to scorn;

8 Lo, this is the man that took not God for his strength : but trusted unto the multitude of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.

9 As for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house of God : my trust is in the tender mercy of God for ever and ever.

10 I will always give thanks unto thee for that thou hast done : and I will hope in thy Name, for thy saints like it well.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 10

PSALM 53. *Dixit insipiens.*

THE foolish body hath said in his heart : There is no God.

2 Corrupt are they, and become abominable in their wickedness : there is none that doeth good.

3 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men : to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

4 But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable : there is also none that doeth good, no not one.

5 Are not they without understanding, that work wickedness : eating up my people as if they would eat bread? they have not called upon God.

6 They were afraid where no fear was : for God hath broken the bones of him that besieged thee; thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath despised them.

7 O that the salvation were given unto Israel out of Sion : O that the Lord would deliver his people out of captivity!

8 Then should Jacob rejoice : and Israel should be right glad.

PSALM 54. *Deus, in nomine.*

SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake : and avenge me in thy strength.

2 Hear my prayer, O God : and hearken unto the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen up against me : and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

4 Behold, God is my helper : the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies : destroy thou them in thy truth.

6 An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord : because it is so comfortable.

7 For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble : and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

PSALM 55. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my prayer, O God : and hide not thyself from my petition.

2 Take heed unto me, and hear me : how I mourn in my prayer, and am vexed.

3 The enemy crieth so, and the ungodly cometh on so fast : for they are minded to do me some mischief ; so maliciously are they set against me.

4 My heart is disquieted within me : and the fear of death is fallen upon me.

5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me : and an horrible dread hath overwhelmed me.

6 And I said, O that I had wings like a dove : for then would I flee away, and be at rest.

7 Lo, then would I get me away far off : and remain in the wilderness.

8 I would make haste to escape : because of the stormy wind and tempest.

9 Destroy their tongues, O Lord, and divide them : for I have spied unrighteousness and strife in the city.

10 Day and night they go about within the walls thereof : mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.

11 Wickedness is therein : deceit and guile go not out of their streets.

12 For it is not an open enemy, that hath done me this dishonour : for then I could have borne it.

13 Neither was it mine adversary, that did magnify himself against me : for then peradventure I would have hid myself from him.

14 But it was even thou, my companion : my guide, and mine own familiar friend.

15 We took sweet counsel together : and walked in the house of God as friends.

16 Let death come hastily upon them, and let them go down quick into hell : for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

17 As for me, I will call upon God : and the Lord shall save me.

18 In the evening, and morning, and at noon-day will I pray, and that instantly : and he shall hear my voice.

19 It is he that hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me : for there were many with me.

20 Yea, even God, that endureth for ever, shall hear me, and bring them down : for they will not turn, nor fear God.

21 He laid his hands upon such as be at peace with him : and he brake his covenant.

22 The words of his mouth were softer than butter, having war in his heart : his words were smoother than oil, and yet be they very swords.

23 O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall nourish thee : and shall not suffer the righteous to fall for ever.

24 And as for them : thou, O God, shalt bring them into the pit of destruction.

25 The blood-thirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days : nevertheless, my trust shall be in thee, O Lord.

DAY 11 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 56. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

BE merciful unto me, O God, for man goeth about to devour me : he is daily fighting, and troubling me.

2 Mine enemies are daily in hand to swallow me up : for they be many that fight against me, O thou most Highest.

3 Nevertheless, though I am sometime afraid : yet put I my trust in thee.

4 I will praise God, because of his word : I have put my trust in God, and will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

5 They daily mistake my words : all that they imagine is to do me evil.

6 They hold all together, and keep themselves close : and mark my steps, when they lay wait for my soul.

7 Shall they escape for their wickedness : thou, O God, in thy displeasure shalt cast them down.

8 Thou tellest my flittings; put my tears into thy bottle : are not these things noted in thy book?

9 Whensoever I call upon thee, then shall mine enemies be put to flight : this I know; for God is on my side.

10 In God's word will I rejoice : in the Lord's word will I comfort me.

11 Yea, in God have I put my trust : I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

12 Unto thee, O God, will I pay my vows : unto thee will I give thanks.

13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and my feet from falling : that I may walk before God in the light of the living.

PSALM 57. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me, for my soul trusteth in thee : and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be over-past.

2 I will call unto the most high God : even unto the God that shall perform the cause which I have in hand.

3 He shall send from heaven : and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up.

4 God shall send forth his mercy and truth : my soul is among lions.

5 And I lie even among the children of men, that are set on fire : whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

6 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens : and thy glory above all the earth.

7 They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul : they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves.

8 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed : I will sing, and give praise.
9 Awake up, my glory; awake, lute and harp : I myself will awake right early.
10 I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people : and I will sing unto thee among the nations.
11 For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens : and thy truth unto the clouds.
12 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens : and thy glory above all the earth.

PSALM 58. *Si vere utique.*

ARE your minds set upon righteousness, O ye congregation : and do ye judge the thing that is right, O ye sons of men?
2 Yea, ye imagine mischief in your heart upon the earth : and your hands deal with wickedness.
3 The ungodly are froward, even from their mother's womb : as soon as they are born, they go astray, and speak lies.
4 They are as venomous as the poison of a serpent : even like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ears;
5 Which refuseth to hear the voice of the charmer : charm he never so wisely.
6 Break their teeth, O God, in their mouths; smite the jaw-bones of the lions, O Lord : let them fall away like water that runneth apace; and when they shoot their arrows let them be rooted out.
7 Let them consume away like a snail, and be like the untimely fruit of a woman : and let them not see the sun.

8 Or ever your pots be made hot with thorns : so let indignation vex him, even as a thing that is raw.

9 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance : he shall wash his footsteps in the blood of the ungodly.

10 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous : doubtless there is a God that judgeth the earth.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 11

PSALM 59. *Eripe me de inimicis.*

DELIVER me from mine enemies, O God : defend me from them that rise up against me.

2 O deliver me from the wicked doers : and save me from the blood-thirsty men.

3 For lo, they lie waiting for my soul : the mighty men are gathered against me, without any offence or fault of me, O Lord.

4 They run and prepare themselves without my fault : arise thou therefore to help me, and behold.

5 Stand up, O Lord God of hosts, thou God of Israel, to visit all the heathen : and be not merciful unto them that offend of malicious wickedness.

6 They go to and fro in the evening : they grin like a dog, and run about through the city.

7 Behold, they speak with their mouth, and swords are in their lips : for who doth hear?

8 But thou, O Lord, shalt have them in derision : and thou shalt laugh all the heathen to scorn.

9 My strength will I ascribe unto thee : for thou art the God of my refuge.

10 God sheweth me his goodness plenteously : and God shall let me see my desire upon mine enemies.

11 Slay them not, lest my people forget it : but scatter them abroad among the people, and put them down, O Lord, our defence.

12 For the sin of their mouth, and for the words of their lips, they shall be taken in their pride : and why? their preaching is of cursing and lies.

13 Consume them in thy wrath, consume them, that they may perish : and know that it is God that ruleth in Jacob, and unto the ends of the world.

14 And in the evening they will return : grin like a dog, and will go about the city.

15 They will run here and there for meat : and grudge if they be not satisfied.

16 As for me, I will sing of thy power, and will praise thy mercy betimes in the morning : for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing : for thou, O God, art my refuge, and my merciful God.

PSALM 60. *Deus, repulisti nos.*

O GOD, thou hast cast us out, and scattered us abroad : thou hast also been displeased; O turn thee unto us again.

2 Thou hast moved the land, and divided it : heal the sores thereof, for it shaketh.

3 Thou hast shewed thy people heavy things : thou hast given us a drink of deadly wine.

4 Thou hast given a token for such as fear thee : that they may triumph because of the truth.

5 Therefore were thy beloved delivered : help me with thy right hand, and hear me.

6 God hath spoken in his holiness, I will rejoice, and divide Sichem : and mete out the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine : Ephraim also is the strength of my head; Judah is my law-giver;

8 Moab is my wash-pot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe : Philistia, be thou glad of me.

9 Who will lead me into the strong city : who will bring me into Edom?

10 Hast not thou cast us out, O God : wilt not thou, O God, go out with our hosts?

11 O be thou our help in trouble : for vain is the help of man.

12 Through God will we do great acts : for it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

PSALM 61. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my crying, O God : give ear unto my prayer.

2 From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee : when my heart is in heaviness.

3 O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I : for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.

4 I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever : and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.

5 For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires : and hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.

6 Thou shalt grant the King a long life : that his years may endure throughout all generations.

7 He shall dwell before God for ever : O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.

8 So will I always sing praise unto thy Name : that I may daily perform my vows.

DAY 12 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 62. *Nonne Deo?*

MY soul truly waiteth still upon God : for of him cometh my salvation.

2 He verily is my strength and my salvation : he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.

3 How long will ye imagine mischief against every man : ye shall be slain all the sort of you; yea, as a tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.

4 Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt : their delight is in lies; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.

5 Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God : for my hope is in him.

6 He truly is my strength and my salvation : he is my defence, so that I shall not fall.

7 In God is my health, and my glory : the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.

8 O put your trust in him alway, ye people : pour out your hearts before him, for God is our hope.

9 As for the children of men, they are but vanity : the children of men are deceitful upon the weights, they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.

10 O trust not in wrong and robbery, give not yourselves unto vanity : if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same : that power belongeth unto God;

12 And that thou, Lord, art merciful : for thou rewardest every man according to his work.

PSALM 63. *Deus, Deus meus.*

O GOD, thou art my God : early will I seek thee.

2 My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee : in a barren and dry land where no water is.

3 Thus have I looked for thee in holiness : that I might behold thy power and glory.

4 For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself : my lips shall praise thee.

5 As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner : and lift up my hands in thy Name.

6 My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness : when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.

7 Have I not remembered thee in my bed : and thought upon thee when I was waking?

8 Because thou hast been my helper : therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

9 My soul hangeth upon thee : thy right hand hath upholden me.

10 These also that seek the hurt of my soul : they shall go under the earth.

11 Let them fall upon the edge of the sword : that they may be a portion for foxes.
12 But the King shall rejoice in God; all they also that swear by him shall be commended : for the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

PSALM 64. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer : preserve my life from fear of the enemy.
2 Hide me from the gathering together of the froward : and from the insurrection of wicked doers;
3 Who have whet their tongue like a sword : and shoot out their arrows, even bitter words;
4 That they may privily shoot at him that is perfect : suddenly do they hit him, and fear not.
5 They encourage themselves in mischief : and commune among themselves how they may lay snares, and say that no man shall see them.
6 They imagine wickedness, and practise it : that they keep secret among themselves, every man in the deep of his heart.
7 But God shall suddenly shoot at them with a swift arrow : that they shall be wounded.
8 Yea, their own tongues shall make them fall : insomuch that whoso seeth them shall laugh them to scorn.
9 And all men that see it shall say, This hath God done : for they shall perceive that it is his work.
10 The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord, and put his trust in him : and all they that are true of heart shall be glad.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 65. *Te decet hymnus.*

THOU, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

2 Thou that hearest the prayer : unto thee shall all flesh come.

3 My misdeeds prevail against me : O be thou merciful unto our sins.

4 Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee : he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

5 Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation : thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

6 Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains : and is girded about with power.

7 Who stilleth the raging of the sea : and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens : thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

9 Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it : thou makest it very plenteous.

10 The river of God is full of water : thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

11 Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof : thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

12 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness : and thy clouds drop fatness.
13 They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness : and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.
14 The folds shall be full of sheep : the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

PSALM 66. *Jubilate Deo.*

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious.
2 Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works : through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee.
3 For all the world shall worship thee : sing of thee, and praise thy Name.
4 O come hither, and behold the works of God : how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men.
5 He turned the sea into dry land : so that they went through the water on foot; there did we rejoice thereof.
6 He ruleth with his power for ever; his eyes behold the people : and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.
7 O praise our God, ye people : and make the voice of his praise to be heard;
8 Who holdeth our soul in life : and suffereth not our feet to slip.
9 For thou, O God, hast proved us : thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.
10 Thou broughtest us into the snare : and laidest trouble upon our loins.

11 Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads : we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

12 I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings : and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

13 I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams : I will offer bullocks and goats.

14 O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God : and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.

15 I called unto him with my mouth : and gave him praises with my tongue.

16 If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart : the Lord will not hear me.

17 But God hath heard me : and considered the voice of my prayer.

18 Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me.

PSALM 67. *Deus misereatur.*

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:

2 That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

4 O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

5 Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.

6 Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

7 God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

DAY 13 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 68. *Exurgat Deus.*

LET God arise, and let his enemies be scattered : let them also that hate him flee before him.

2 Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away : and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God : let them also be merry and joyful.

4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name : magnify him that rideth upon the heavens, as it were upon an horse; praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him.

5 He is a father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows : even God in his holy habitation.

6 He is the God that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity : but letteth the runagates continue in scarceness.

7 O God, when thou wentest forth before the people : when thou wentest through the wilderness;

8 The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God : even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.

9 Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance : and refreshedst it when it was weary.

10 Thy congregation shall dwell therein : for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor.

11 The Lord gave the word : great was the company of the preachers.

12 Kings with their armies did flee, and were discomfited : and they of the household divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove : that is covered with silver wings, and her feathers like gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings for their sake : then were they as white as snow in Salmon.

15 As the hill of Basan, so is God's hill : even an high hill, as the hill of Basan.

16 Why hop ye so, ye high hills? this is God's hill, in the which it pleaseth him to dwell : yea, the Lord will abide in it for ever.

17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels : and the Lord is among them, as in the holy place of Sinai.

18 Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts for men : yea, even for thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.

19 Praised be the Lord daily : even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

20 He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation : God is the Lord, by whom we escape death.

21 God shall wound the head of his enemies : and the hairy scalp of such a one as goeth on still in his wickedness.

22 The Lord hath said, I will bring my people again, as I did from Basan : mine own will I bring again, as I did sometime from the deep of the sea.

23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies : and that the tongue of thy dogs may be red through the same.

24 It is well seen, O God, how thou goest : how thou, my God and King, goest in the sanctuary.

25 The singers go before, the minstrels follow after : in the midst are the damsels playing with the timbrels.

26 Give thanks, O Israel, unto God the Lord in the congregations : from the ground of the heart.

27 There is little Benjamin their ruler, and the princes of Judah their counsel : the princes of Zabulon, and the princes of Nephthali.

28 Thy God hath sent forth strength for thee : stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us,

29 For thy temple's sake at Jerusalem : so shall kings bring presents unto thee.

30 When the company of the spear-men, and multitude of the mighty are scattered abroad among the beasts of the people, so that they humbly bring pieces of silver : and when he hath scattered the people that delight in war;

31 Then shall the princes come out of Egypt : the Morians' land shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

32 Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the earth : O sing praises unto the Lord;

33 Who sitteth in the heavens over all from the beginning : lo, he doth send out his voice, yea, and that a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe ye the power to God over Israel : his worship and strength is in the clouds.

35 O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places : even the God of Israel, he will give strength and power unto his people; blessed be God.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 13

PSALM 69. *Salvum me fac.*

SAVE me, O God : for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

2 I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is : I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

3 I am weary of crying; my throat is dry : my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head : they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

5 I paid them the things that I never took : God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my cause : let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

7 And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof : shame hath covered my face.

8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren : even an alien unto my mother's children.

9 For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me : and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.

10 I wept, and chastened myself with fasting : and that was turned to my reproof.
11 I put on sackcloth also : and they jested upon me.
12 They that sit in the gate speak against me : and the drunkards make songs upon me.
13 But, Lord, I make my prayer unto thee : in an acceptable time.
14 Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy : even in the truth of thy salvation.
15 Take me out of the mire, that I sink not : O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.
16 Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up : and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.
17 Hear me, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable : turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.
18 And hide not thy face from thy servant, for I am in trouble : O haste thee, and hear me.
19 Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it : O deliver me, because of mine enemies.
20 Thou hast known my reproof, my shame, and my dishonour : mine adversaries are all in thy sight.
21 Thy rebuke hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness : I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.
22 They gave me gall to eat : and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.
23 Let their table be made a snare to take themselves withal : and let the things that should have been for their wealth be unto them an occasion of falling.
24 Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not : and ever bow thou down their backs.

25 Pour out thine indignation upon them : and let thy wrathful displeasure take hold of them.

26 Let their habitation be void : and no man to dwell in their tents.

27 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten : and they talk how they may vex them whom thou hast wounded.

28 Let them fall from one wickedness to another : and not come into thy righteousness.

29 Let them be wiped out of the book of the living : and not be written among the righteous.

30 As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness : thy help, O God, shall lift me up.

31 I will praise the Name of God with a song : and magnify it with thanksgiving.

32 This also shall please the Lord : better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

33 The humble shall consider this, and be glad : seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.

34 For the Lord heareth the poor : and despiseth not his prisoners.

35 Let heaven and earth praise him : the sea, and all that moveth therein.

36 For God will save Sion, and build the cities of Judah : that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.

37 The posterity also of his servants shall inherit it : and they that love his Name shall dwell therein.

PSALM 70. *Deus, in adjutorium.*

HASTE thee, O God, to deliver me : make haste to help me, O Lord.

2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul : let them be turned backward and put to confusion that wish me evil.

3 Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame : that cry over me, There, there.

4 But let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee : and let all such as delight in thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.

5 As for me, I am poor and in misery : haste thee unto me, O God.

6 Thou art my helper and my redeemer : O Lord, make no long tarrying.

DAY 14 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 71. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion : but rid me and deliver me in thy righteousness, incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

2 Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort : thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my house of defence and my castle.

3 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly : out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

4 For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for : thou art my hope, even from my youth.

5 Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born : thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.

6 I am become as it were a monster unto many : but my sure trust is in thee.

7 O let my mouth be filled with thy praise : that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

8 Cast me not away in the time of age : forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

9 For mine enemies speak against me, and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying : God hath forsaken him; persecute him, and take him, for there is none to deliver him.

10 Go not far from me, O God : my God, haste thee to help me.

11 Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul : let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

12 As for me, I will patiently abide alway : and will praise thee more and more.

13 My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation : for I know no end thereof.

14 I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God : and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

15 Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now : therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

16 Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed : until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

17 Thy righteousness, O God, is very high : and great things are they that thou hast done; O God, who is like unto thee?

18 O what great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed me, and yet didst thou turn and refresh me : yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

19 Thou hast brought me to great honour : and comforted me on every side.

20 Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of musick : unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

21 My lips will be fain when I sing unto thee : and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.

22 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long : for they are confounded and brought unto shame that seek to do me evil.

PSALM 72. *Deus, judicium.*

GIVE the King thy judgements, O God : and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

2 Then shall he judge thy people according unto right : and defend the poor.

3 The mountains also shall bring peace : and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

4 He shall keep the simple folk by their right : defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong-doer.

5 They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth : from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool : even as the drops that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish : yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

8 His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other : and from the flood unto the world's end.

9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before him : his enemies shall lick the dust.

10 The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents : the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

11 All kings shall fall down before him : all nations shall do him service.

12 For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth : the needy also, and him that hath no helper.

13 He shall be favourable to the simple and needy : and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

14 He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong : and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

15 He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia : prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.

16 There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills : his fruit shall shake like Libanus, and shall be green in the city like grass upon the earth.

17 His Name shall endure for ever; his Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities : which shall be blessed through him; and all the heathen shall praise him.

18 Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel : which only doeth wondrous things;

19 And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever : and all the earth shall be filled with his majesty. Amen, Amen.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 73. *Quam bonus Israel!*

TRULY God is loving unto Israel : even unto such as are of a clean heart.

2 Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone : my treadings had well-nigh slipt.

3 And why? I was grieved at the wicked : I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.

4 For they are in no peril of death : but are lusty and strong.

5 They come in no misfortune like other folk : neither are they plagued like other men.

6 And this is the cause that they are so holden with pride : and overwhelmed with cruelty.

7 Their eyes swell with fatness : and they do even what they lust.

8 They corrupt other, and speak of wicked blasphemy : their talking is against the most High.

9 For they stretch forth their mouth unto the heaven : and their tongue goeth through the world.

10 Therefore fall the people unto them : and thereout suck they no small advantage.

11 Tush, say they, how should God perceive it : is there knowledge in the most High?

12 Lo, these are the ungodly, these prosper in the world, and these have riches in possession : and I said, Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, and washed mine hands in innocency.

13 All the day long have I been punished : and chastened every morning.

14 Yea, and I had almost said even as they : but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.

15 Then thought I to understand this : but it was too hard for me,

16 Until I went into the sanctuary of God : then understood I the end of these men;

17 Namely, how thou dost set them in slippery places : and castest them down, and destroyest them.

18 O how suddenly do they consume : perish, and come to a fearful end!

19 Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh : so shalt thou make their image to vanish out of the city.

20 Thus my heart was grieved : and it went even through my reins.

21 So foolish was I, and ignorant : even as it were a beast before thee.

22 Nevertheless, I am alway by thee : for thou hast holden me by my right hand.

23 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel : and after that receive me with glory.

24 Whom have I in heaven but thee : and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.

25 My flesh and my heart faileth : but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

26 For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish : thou hast destroyed all them that commit fornication against thee.

27 But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God : and to speak of all thy works in the gates of the daughter of Sion.

PSALM 74. *Ut quid, Deus?*

O GOD, wherefore art thou absent from us so long : why is thy wrath so hot against the sheep of thy pasture?

2 O think upon thy congregation : whom thou hast purchased and redeemed of old.

3 Think upon the tribe of thine inheritance : and mount Sion, wherein thou hast dwelt.

4 Lift up thy feet, that thou mayest utterly destroy every enemy : which hath done evil in thy sanctuary.

5 Thine adversaries roar in the midst of thy congregations : and set up their banners for tokens.

6 He that hewed timber afore out of the thick trees : was known to bring it to an excellent work.

7 But now they break down all the carved work thereof : with axes and hammers.

8 They have set fire upon thy holy places : and have defiled the dwelling-place of thy Name, even unto the ground.

9 Yea, they said in their hearts, Let us make havock of them altogether : thus have they burnt up all the houses of God in the land.

10 We see not our tokens, there is not one prophet more : no, not one is there among us, that understandeth any more.

11 O God, how long shall the adversary do this dishonour : how long shall the enemy blaspheme thy Name, for ever?

12 Why withdrawest thou thy hand : why pluckest thou not thy right hand out of thy bosom to consume the enemy?

13 For God is my King of old : the help that is done upon earth he doeth it himself.

14 Thou didst divide the sea through thy power : thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters.

15 Thou smotest the heads of Leviathan in pieces : and gavest him to be meat for the people in the wilderness.

16 Thou broughtest out fountains and waters out of the hard rocks : thou driedst up mighty waters.

17 The day is thine, and the night is thine : thou hast prepared the light and the sun.

18 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth : thou hast made summer and winter.

19 Remember this, O Lord, how the enemy hath rebuked : and how the foolish people hath blasphemed thy Name.

20 O deliver not the soul of thy turtle-dove unto the multitude of the enemies : and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever.

21 Look upon the covenant : for all the earth is full of darkness and cruel habitations.

22 O let not the simple go away ashamed : but let the poor and needy give praise unto thy Name.

23 Arise, O God, maintain thine own cause : remember how the foolish man blasphemeth thee daily.

24 Forget not the voice of thine enemies : the presumption of them that hate thee increaseth ever more and more.

MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 75. *Confitebimur tibi.*

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks : yea, unto thee do we give thanks.

2 Thy Name also is so nigh : and that do thy wondrous works declare.

3 When I receive the congregation : I shall judge according unto right.

4 The earth is weak, and all the inhabiters thereof : I bear up the pillars of it.

5 I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly : and to the ungodly, Set not up your horn.

6 Set not up your horn on high : and speak not with a stiff neck.

7 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west : nor yet from the south.

8 And why? God is the Judge : he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

9 For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red : it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.

10 As for the dregs thereof : all the ungodly of the earth shall drink them, and suck them out.

11 But I will talk of the God of Jacob : and praise him for ever.

12 All the horns of the ungodly also will I break : and the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

PSALM 76. *Notus in Judaea.*

IN Jewry is God known : his Name is great in Israel.

2 At Salem is his tabernacle : and his dwelling in Sion.

3 There brake he the arrows of the bow : the shield, the sword, and the battle.

4 Thou art of more honour and might : than the hills of the robbers.

5 The proud are robbed, they have slept their sleep : and all the men whose hands were mighty have found nothing.

6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob : both the chariot and horse are fallen.

7 Thou, even thou art to be feared : and who may stand in thy sight when thou art angry?

8 Thou didst cause thy judgement to be heard from heaven : the earth trembled, and was still;

9 When God arose to judgement : and to help all the meek upon earth.

10 The fierceness of man shall turn to thy praise : and the fierceness of them shalt thou refrain.

11 Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it, all ye that are round about him : bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.

12 He shall refrain the spirit of princes : and is wonderful among the kings of the earth.

PSALM 77. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

I WILL cry unto God with my voice : even unto God will I cry with my voice, and he shall hearken unto me.

2 In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord : my sore ran and ceased not in the night-season; my soul refused comfort.

3 When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God : when my heart is vexed, I will complain.

4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking : I am so feeble, that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old : and the years that are past.

6 I call to remembrance my song : and in the night I commune with mine own heart, and search out my spirits.

7 Will the Lord absent himself for ever : and will he be no more intreated?

8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever : and is his promise come utterly to an end for evermore?

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious : and will he shut up his loving-kindness in displeasure?

10 And I said, It is mine own infirmity : but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most Highest.

11 I will remember the works of the Lord : and call to mind thy wonders of old time.

12 I will think also of all thy works : and my talking shall be of thy doings.

13 Thy way, O God, is holy : who is so great a God as our God?

14 Thou art the God that doeth wonders : and hast declared thy power among the people.

15 Thou hast mightily delivered thy people : even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.

16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid : the depths also were troubled.

17 The clouds poured out water, the air thundered : and thine arrows went abroad.

18 The voice of thy thunder was heard round about : the lightnings shone upon the ground; the earth was moved, and shook withal.

19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy paths in the great waters : and thy footsteps are not known.

20 Thou leddest thy people like sheep : by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 15

PSALM 78. *Attendite, popule.*

HEAR my law, O my people : incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

2 I will open my mouth in a parable : I will declare hard sentences of old;

3 Which we have heard and known : and such as our fathers have told us;

4 That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come : but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

5 He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law : which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;

6 That their posterity might know it : and the children which were yet unborn;

7 To the intent that when they came up : they might shew their children the same;

8 That they might put their trust in God : and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments;

9 And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation : a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God;

10 Like as the children of Ephraim : who being harnessed, and carrying bows, turned themselves back in the day of battle.

11 They kept not the covenant of God : and would not walk in his law;

12 But forgat what he had done : and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.

13 Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt : even in the field of Zoan.

14 He divided the sea, and let them go through : he made the waters to stand on an heap.

15 In the day-time also he led them with a cloud : and all the night through with a light of fire.

16 He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness : and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.

17 He brought waters out of the stony rock : so that it gushed out like the rivers.

18 Yet for all this they sinned more against him : and provoked the most Highest in the wilderness.

19 They tempted God in their hearts : and required meat for their lust.

20 They spake against God also, saying : Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?

21 He smote the stony rock indeed, that the waters gushed out, and the streams flowed withal : but can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his people?

22 When the Lord heard this, he was wroth : so the fire was kindled in Jacob, and there came up heavy displeasure against Israel;

23 Because they believed not in God : and put not their trust in his help.

24 So he commanded the clouds above : and opened the doors of heaven.

25 He rained down manna also upon them for to eat : and gave them food from heaven.
26 So man did eat angels' food : for he sent them meat enough.
27 He caused the east-wind to blow under heaven : and through his power he brought in the south-west-wind.
28 He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust : and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.
29 He let it fall among their tents : even round about their habitation.
30 So they did eat and were well filled, for he gave them their own desire : they were not disappointed of their lust.
31 But while the meat was yet in their mouths, the heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew the wealthiest of them : yea, and smote down the chosen men that were in Israel.
32 But for all this they sinned yet more : and believed not his wondrous works.
33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity : and their years in trouble.
34 When he slew them, they sought him : and turned them early, and inquired after God.
35 And they remembered that God was their strength : and that the high God was their redeemer.
36 Nevertheless, they did but flatter him with their mouth : and dissembled with him in their tongue.
37 For their heart was not whole with him : neither continued they stedfast in his covenant.
38 But he was so merciful, that he forgave their misdeeds : and destroyed them not.

39 Yea, many a time turned he his wrath away : and would not suffer his whole displeasure to arise.

40 For he considered that they were but flesh : and that they were even a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.

41 Many a time did they provoke him in the wilderness : and grieved him in the desert.

42 They turned back, and tempted God : and moved the Holy One in Israel.

43 They thought not of his hand : and of the day when he delivered them from the hand of the enemy;

44 How he had wrought his miracles in Egypt : and his wonders in the field of Zoan.

45 He turned their waters into blood : so that they might not drink of the rivers.

46 He sent lice among them, and devoured them up : and frogs to destroy them.

47 He gave their fruit unto the caterpillar : and their labour unto the grasshopper.

48 He destroyed their vines with hailstones : and their mulberry-trees with the frost.

49 He smote their cattle also with hailstones : and their flocks with hot thunderbolts.

50 He cast upon them the furiousness of his wrath, anger, displeasure, and trouble : and sent evil angels among them.

51 He made a way to his indignation, and spared not their soul from death : but gave their life over to the pestilence;

52 And smote all the first-born in Egypt : the most principal and mightiest in the dwellings of Ham.

53 But as for his own people, he led them forth like sheep : and carried them in the wilderness like a flock.

54 He brought them out safely, that they should not fear : and overwhelmed their enemies with the sea.

55 And brought them within the borders of his sanctuary : even to his mountain which he purchased with his right hand.

56 He cast out the heathen also before them : caused their land to be divided among them for an heritage, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.

57 So they tempted and displeased the most high God : and kept not his testimonies;

58 But turned their backs, and fell away like their forefathers : starting aside like a broken bow.

59 For they grieved him with their hill-altars : and provoked him to displeasure with their images.

60 When God heard this, he was wroth : and took sore displeasure at Israel.

61 So that he forsook the tabernacle in Silo : even the tent that he had pitched among men.

62 He delivered their power into captivity : and their beauty into the enemy's hand.

63 He gave his people over also unto the sword : and was wroth with his inheritance.

64 The fire consumed their young men : and their maidens were not given to marriage.

65 Their priests were slain with the sword : and there were no widows to make lamentation.

66 So the Lord awaked as one out of sleep : and like a giant refreshed with wine.

67 He smote his enemies in the hinder parts : and put them to a perpetual shame.

68 He refused the tabernacle of Joseph : and chose not the tribe of Ephraim;

69 But chose the tribe of Judah : even the hill of Sion which he loved.

70 And there he built his temple on high : and laid the foundation of it like the ground which he hath made continually.

71 He chose David also his servant : and took him away from the sheep-folds.

72 As he was following the ewes great with young ones he took him : that he might feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.

73 So he fed them with a faithful and true heart : and ruled them prudently with all his power.

DAY 16 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 79. *Deus, venerunt.*

O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance : thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.

2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air : and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.

3 Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem : and there was no man to bury them.

4 We are become an open shame to our enemies : a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.

5 Lord, how long wilt thou be angry : shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?

6 Pour out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee : and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.

7 For they have devoured Jacob : and laid waste his dwelling-place.

8 O remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon : for we are come to great misery.

9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name : O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.

10 Wherefore do the heathen say : Where is now their God?

11 O let the vengeance of thy servants' blood that is shed : be openly shewed upon the heathen in our sight.

12 O let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee : according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.

13 And for the blasphemy wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee : reward thou them, O Lord, seven-fold into their bosom.

14 So we, that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever : and will alway be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

PSALM 80. *Qui regis Israel.*

HEAR, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep : shew thyself also, thou that sittest upon the cherubims.

2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses : stir up thy strength, and come, and help us.

3 Turn us again, O God : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

4 O Lord God of hosts : how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth?

5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears : and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.

6 Thou hast made us a very strife unto our neighbours : and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Turn us again, thou God of hosts : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt : thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.

9 Thou madest room for it : and when it had taken root it filled the land.

10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it : and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedar-trees.

11 She stretched out her branches unto the sea : and her boughs unto the river.

12 Why hast thou then broken down her hedge : that all they that go by pluck off her grapes?

13 The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up : and the wild beasts of the field devour it.

14 Turn thee again, thou God of hosts, look down from heaven : behold, and visit this vine;

15 And the place of the vineyard that thy right hand hath planted : and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.

16 It is burnt with fire, and cut down : and they shall perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.

17 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand : and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thine own self.

18 And so will not we go back from thee : O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name.

19 Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

PSALM 81. *Exultate Deo.*

SING we merrily unto God our strength : make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2 Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret : the merry harp with the lute.

3 Blow up the trumpet in the new-moon : even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day.

4 For this was made a statute for Israel : and a law of the God of Jacob.

5 This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony : when he came out of the land of Egypt, and had heard a strange language.

6 I eased his shoulder from the burden : and his hands were delivered from making the pots.

7 Thou calledst upon me in troubles, and I delivered thee : and heard thee what time as the storm fell upon thee.

8 I proved thee also : at the waters of strife.

9 Hear, O my people, and I will assure thee, O Israel : if thou wilt hearken unto me,

10 There shall no strange god be in thee : neither shalt thou worship any other god.

11 I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt : open thy mouth wide, and I shall fill it.

12 But my people would not hear my voice : and Israel would not obey me.

13 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lusts : and let them follow their own imaginations.

14 O that my people would have hearkened unto me : for if Israel had walked in my ways,

15 I should soon have put down their enemies : and turned my hand against their adversaries.

16 The haters of the Lord should have been found liars : but their time should have endured for ever.

17 He should have fed them also with the finest wheat-flour : and with honey out of the stony rock should I have satisfied thee.

DAY 16 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 82. *Deus stetit.*

GOD standeth in the congregation of princes : he is a judge among gods.

2 How long will ye give wrong judgement : and accept the persons of the ungodly?

3 Defend the poor and fatherless : see that such as are in need and necessity have right.

4 Deliver the outcast and poor : save them from the hand of the ungodly.

5 They will not be learned nor understand, but walk on still in darkness : all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

6 I have said, Ye are gods : and ye are all the children of the most Highest.

7 But ye shall die like men : and fall like one of the princes.

8 Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth : for thou shalt take all heathen to thine inheritance.

PSALM 83. *Deus, quis similis?*

HOLD not thy tongue, O God, keep not still silence : refrain not thyself, O God.
2 For lo, thine enemies make a murmuring : and they that hate thee have lift up their head.
3 They have imagined craftily against thy people : and taken counsel against thy secret ones.
4 They have said, Come, and let us root them out, that they be no more a people : and that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.
5 For they have cast their heads together with one consent : and are confederate against thee;
6 The tabernacles of the Edomites, and the Ismaelites : the Moabites and Hagarenes;
7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek : the Philistines, with them that dwell at Tyre.
8 Assur also is joined with them : and have holpen the children of Lot.
9 But do thou to them as unto the Madianites : unto Sisera, and unto Jabin at the brook of Kison;
10 Who perished at Endor : and became as the dung of the earth.
11 Make them and their princes like Oreb and Zeb : yea, make all their princes like as Zeba and Salmana;
12 Who say, Let us take to ourselves : the houses of God in possession.

13 O my God, make them like unto a wheel : and as the stubble before the wind;
14 Like as the fire that burneth up the wood : and as the flame that consumeth the mountains.
15 Persecute them even so with thy tempest : and make them afraid with thy storm.
16 Make their faces ashamed, O Lord : that they may seek thy Name.
17 Let them be confounded and vexed ever more and more : let them be put to shame, and perish.
18 And they shall know that thou, whose Name is Jehovah : art only the most Highest over all the earth.

PSALM 84. *Quam dilecta!*

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts!
2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praising thee.
5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee : in whose heart are thy ways.
6 Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.
7 They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.

9 Behold, O God our defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

10 For one day in thy courts : is better than a thousand.

11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

12 For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

13 O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

PSALM 85. *Benedixisti, Domine.*

LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land : thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

2 Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people : and covered all their sins.

3 Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure : and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.

4 Turn us then, O God our Saviour : and let thine anger cease from us.

5 Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever : and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?

6 Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us : that thy people may rejoice in thee?

7 Shew us thy mercy, O Lord : and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me : for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again.

9 For his salvation is nigh them that fear him : that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are met together : righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth : and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

12 Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness : and our land shall give her increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him : and he shall direct his going in the way.

Day 17 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 86. *Inclina, Domine.*

BOW down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me : for I am poor, and in misery.

2 Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy : my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord : for I will call daily upon thee.

4 Comfort the soul of thy servant : for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5 For thou, Lord, art good and gracious : and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

6 Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer : and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee : for thou hearest me.

8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord : there is not one that can do as thou doest.

9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord : and shall glorify thy Name.

10 For thou art great, and doest wondrous things : thou art God alone.

11 Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth : O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.

12 I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart : and will praise thy Name for evermore.

13 For great is thy mercy toward me : and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.

14 O God, the proud are risen against me : and the congregations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.

15 But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

16 O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me : give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid.

17 Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it and be ashamed : because thou, Lord, hast holpen me and comforted me.

PSALM 87. *Fundamenta ejus.*

HER foundations are upon the holy hills : the Lord loveth the gates of Sion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

2 Very excellent things are spoken of thee : thou city of God.

3 I will think upon Rahab and Babylon : with them that know me.

4 Behold ye the Philistines also : and they of Tyre, with the Morians; lo, there was he born.

5 And of Sion it shall be reported that he was born in her : and the most High shall stablish her.

6 The Lord shall rehearse it when he writeth up the people : that he was born there.

7 The singers also and trumpeters shall he rehearse : All my fresh springs shall be in thee.

PSALM 88. *Domine Deus.*

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee : O let my prayer enter into thy presence, incline thine ear unto my calling.

2 For my soul is full of trouble : and my life draweth nigh unto hell.

3 I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit : and I have been even as a man that hath no strength.

4 Free among the dead, like unto them that are wounded, and lie in the grave : who are out of remembrance, and are cut away from thy hand.

5 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit : in a place of darkness, and in the deep.

6 Thine indignation lieth hard upon me : and thou hast vexed me with all thy storms.

7 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me : and made me to be abhorred of them.

8 I am so fast in prison : that I cannot get forth.

9 My sight faileth for very trouble : Lord, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my hands unto thee.

10 Dost thou shew wonders among the dead : or shall the dead rise up again, and praise thee?

11 Shall thy loving-kindness be shewed in the grave : or thy faithfulness in destruction?

12 Shall thy wondrous works be known in the dark : and thy righteousness in the land where all things are forgotten?

13 Unto thee have I cried, O Lord : and early shall my prayer come before thee.

14 Lord, why abhorrest thou my soul : and hidest thou thy face from me?

15 I am in misery, and like unto him that is at the point to die : even from my youth up thy terrors have I suffered with a troubled mind.

16 Thy wrathful displeasure goeth over me : and the fear of thee hath undone me.

17 They came round about me daily like water : and compassed me together on every side.

18 My lovers and friends hast thou put away from me : and hid mine acquaintance out of my sight.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 89. *Misericordias Domini.*

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord : with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy truth from one generation to another.

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever : thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

3 I have made a covenant with my chosen : I have sworn unto David my servant;

4 Thy seed will I stablish for ever : and set up thy throne from one generation to another.

5 O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works : and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

6 For who is he among the clouds : that shall be compared unto the Lord?

7 And what is he among the gods : that shall be like unto the Lord?

8 God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints : and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

9 O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee : thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

10 Thou rulest the raging of the sea : thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.

11 Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it : thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

12 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine : thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

13 Thou hast made the north and the south : Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.

14 Thou hast a mighty arm : strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

15 Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat : mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

16 Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee : they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

17 Their delight shall be daily in thy Name : and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

18 For thou art the glory of their strength : and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

19 For the Lord is our defence : the Holy One of Israel is our King.

20 Thou spakest sometime in visions unto thy saints, and saidst : I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

21 I have found David my servant : with my holy oil have I anointed him.

22 My hand shall hold him fast : and my arm shall strengthen him.

23 The enemy shall not be able to do him violence : the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.

24 I will smite down his foes before his face : and plague them that hate him.

25 My truth also and my mercy shall be with him : and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.

26 I will set his dominion also in the sea : and his right hand in the floods.

27 He shall call me, Thou art my Father : my God, and my strong salvation.

28 And I will make him my first-born : higher than the kings of the earth.

29 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore : and my covenant shall stand fast with him.

30 His seed also will I make to endure for ever : and his throne as the days of heaven.

31 But if his children forsake my law : and walk not in my judgements;

32 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments : I will visit their offences with the rod, and their sin with scourges.

33 Nevertheless, my loving-kindness will I not utterly take from him : nor suffer my truth to fail.

34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips : I have sworn once by my holiness, that I will not fail David.

35 His seed shall endure for ever : and his seat is like as the sun before me.

36 He shall stand fast for evermore as the moon : and as the faithful witness in heaven.

37 But thou hast abhorred and forsaken thine Anointed : and art displeased at him.

38 Thou hast broken the covenant of thy servant : and cast his crown to the ground.

39 Thou hast overthrown all his hedges : and broken down his strong holds.

40 All they that go by spoil him : and he is become a reproach to his neighbours.

41 Thou hast set up the right hand of his enemies : and made all his adversaries to rejoice.

42 Thou hast taken away the edge of his sword : and givest him not victory in the battle.

43 Thou hast put out his glory : and cast his throne down to the ground.

44 The days of his youth hast thou shortened : and covered him with dishonour.

45 Lord, how long wilt thou hide thyself, for ever : and shall thy wrath burn like fire?

46 O remember how short my time is : wherefore hast thou made all men for nought?

47 What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death : and shall he deliver his soul from the hand of hell?

48 Lord, where are thy old loving-kindnesses : which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?

49 Remember, Lord, the rebuke that thy servants have : and how I do bear in my bosom the rebukes of many people;

50 Wherewith thine enemies have blasphemed thee, and slandered the footsteps of thine Anointed : Praised be the Lord for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 18

PSALM 90. *Domine, refugium.*

LORD, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made : thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

3 Thou turnest man to destruction : again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday : seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

5 As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep : and fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green, and groweth up : but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

7 For we consume away in thy displeasure : and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

8 Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee : and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

9 For when thou art angry all our days are gone : we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

10 The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years : yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

11 But who regardeth the power of thy wrath : for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.

12 So teach us to number our days : that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

13 Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and be gracious unto thy servants.

14 O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon : so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us : and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

16 Shew thy servants thy work : and their children thy glory.

17 And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us : prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handy-work.

PSALM 91. *Qui habitat.*

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the most High : shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold : my God, in him will I trust.

3 For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter : and from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers : his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night : nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness : nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

7 A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand : but it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold : and see the reward of the ungodly.

9 For thou, Lord, art my hope : thou hast set thine house of defence very high.

10 There shall no evil happen unto thee : neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee : to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee in their hands : that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him : I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will hear him : yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.

16 With long life will I satisfy him : and shew him my salvation.

PSALM 92. *Bonum est confiteri.*

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord : and to sing praises unto thy Name, O most Highest;

2 To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning : and of thy truth in the night-season;

3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute : upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.

4 For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works : and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.

5 O Lord, how glorious are thy works : thy thoughts are very deep.

6 An unwise man doth not well consider this : and a fool doth not understand it.

7 When the ungodly are green as the grass, and when all the workers of wickedness do flourish : then shall they be destroyed for ever; but thou, Lord, art the most Highest for evermore.

8 For lo, thine enemies, O Lord, lo, thine enemies shall perish : and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.

9 But mine horn shall be exalted like the horn of an unicorn : for I am anointed with fresh oil.

10 Mine eye also shall see his lust of mine enemies : and mine ear shall hear his desire of the wicked that arise up against me.

11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree : and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.

12 Such as are planted in the house of the Lord : shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.

13 They also shall bring forth more fruit in their age : and shall be fat and well-liking.

14 That they may shew how true the Lord my strength is : and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 18

PSALM 93. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel : the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

2 He hath made the round world so sure : that it cannot be moved.

3 Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared : thou art from everlasting.

4 The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice : the floods lift up their waves.

5 The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly : but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure : holiness becometh thine house for ever.

PSALM 94. *Deus ultionum.*

O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth : thou God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.

2 Arise, thou Judge of the world : and reward the proud after their deserving.

3 Lord, how long shall the ungodly : how long shall the ungodly triumph?

4 How long shall all wicked doers speak so disdainfully : and make such proud boasting?

5 They smite down thy people, O Lord : and trouble thine heritage.

6 They murder the widow and the stranger : and put the fatherless to death.

7 And yet they say, Tush, the Lord shall not see : neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.

8 Take heed, ye unwise among the people : O ye fools, when will ye understand?

9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear : or he that made the eye, shall he not see?

10 Or he that nurtureth the heathen : it is he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he punish?

11 The Lord knoweth the thoughts of man : that they are but vain.

12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O Lord : and teachest him in thy law;

13 That thou mayest give him patience in time of adversity : until the pit be digged up for the ungodly.

14 For the Lord will not fail his people : neither will he forsake his inheritance;

15 Until righteousness turn again unto judgement : all such as are true in heart shall follow it.

16 Who will rise up with me against the wicked : or who will take my part against the evil-doers?

17 If the Lord had not helped me : it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence.

18 But when I said, My foot hath slipt : thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.

19 In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart : thy comforts have refreshed my soul.

20 Wilt thou have any thing to do with the stool of wickedness : which imagineth mischief as a law?

21 They gather them together against the soul of the righteous : and condemn the innocent blood.

22 But the Lord is my refuge : and my God is the strength of my confidence.

23 He shall recompense them their wickedness, and destroy them in their own malice : yea, the Lord our God shall destroy them.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 19

PSALM 95. *Venite, exultemus.*

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.

3 For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.

5 The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands prepared the dry land.

6 O come, let us worship and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

7 For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

8 To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

9 When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and saw my works.

10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said : It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways;

11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.

PSALM 96. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

2 Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.

3 Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.

4 For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.

5 As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.

6 Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.

7 Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

8 Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.

9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

10 Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.

11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

13 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth : and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

PSALM 97. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof : yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him : righteousness and judgement are the habitation of his seat.

3 There shall go a fire before him : and burn up his enemies on every side.

4 His lightnings gave shine unto the world : the earth saw it, and was afraid.

5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord : at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

6 The heavens have declared his righteousness : and all the people have seen his glory.

7 Confounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in vain gods : worship him, all ye gods.

8 Sion heard of it, and rejoiced : and the daughters of Judah were glad, because of thy judgements, O Lord.

9 For thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in the earth : thou art exalted far above all gods.

10 O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil : the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints; he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.

11 There is sprung up a light for the righteous : and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous : and give thanks for a remembrance of his holiness.

DAY 19 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 98. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

2 With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

3 The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

6 Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets also and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.

9 Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord : for he is come to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

PSALM 99. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient : he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

2 The Lord is great in Sion : and high above all people.

3 They shall give thanks unto thy Name : which is great, wonderful, and holy.

4 The King's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity : thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.

5 O magnify the Lord our God : and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name : these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

7 He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar : for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.

8 Thou heardest them, O Lord our God : thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.

9 O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill : for the Lord our God is holy.

PSALM 100. *Jubilate Deo.*

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

2 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

PSALM 101. *Misericordiam et judicium.*

MY song shall be of mercy and judgement : unto thee, O Lord, will I sing.

2 O let me have understanding : in the way of godliness.

3 When wilt thou come unto me : I will walk in my house with a perfect heart.

4 I will take no wicked thing in hand; I hate the sins of unfaithfulness : there shall no such cleave unto me.

5 A froward heart shall depart from me : I will not know a wicked person.

6 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour : him will I destroy.

7 Whoso hath also a proud look and high stomach : I will not suffer him.

8 Mine eyes look upon such as are faithful in the land : that they may dwell with me.

9 Whoso leadeth a godly life : he shall be my servant.

10 There shall no deceitful person dwell in my house : he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

11 I shall soon destroy all the ungodly that are in the land : that I may root out all wicked doers from the city of the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 20

PSALM 102. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O Lord : and let my crying come unto thee.

2 Hide not thy face from me in the time of my trouble : incline thine ear unto me when I call; O hear me, and that right soon.

3 For my days are consumed away like smoke : and my bones are burnt up as it were a fire-brand.

4 My heart is smitten down, and withered like grass : so that I forget to eat my bread.

5 For the voice of my groaning : my bones will scarce cleave to my flesh.

6 I am become like a pelican in the wilderness : and like an owl that is in the desert.

7 I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow : that sitteth alone upon the house-top.

8 Mine enemies revile me all the day long : and they that are mad upon me are sworn together against me.

9 For I have eaten ashes as it were bread : and mingled my drink with weeping;

10 And that because of thine indignation and wrath : for thou hast taken me up, and cast me down.

11 My days are gone like a shadow : and I am withered like grass.

12 But thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever : and thy remembrance throughout all generations.

13 Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Sion : for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come.

14 And why? thy servants think upon her stones : and it pitieth them to see her in the dust.

15 The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord : and all the kings of the earth thy majesty;

16 When the Lord shall build up Sion : and when his glory shall appear;

17 When he turneth him unto the prayer of the poor destitute : and despiseth not their desire.

18 This shall be written for those that come after : and the people which shall be born shall praise the Lord.

19 For he hath looked down from his sanctuary : out of the heaven did the Lord behold the earth;

20 That he might hear the mournings of such as are in captivity : and deliver the children appointed unto death;

21 That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Sion : and his worship at Jerusalem;

22 When the people are gathered together : and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord.

23 He brought down my strength in my journey : and shortened my days.

24 But I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of mine age : as for thy years, they endure throughout all generations.

25 Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth : and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

26 They shall perish, but thou shalt endure : they all shall wax old as doth a garment;
27 And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed : but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.
28 The children of thy servants shall continue : and their seed shall stand fast in thy sight.

PSALM 103. *Benedic, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : and all that is within me praise his holy name.
2 Praise the Lord, O my soul : and forget not all his benefits;
3 Who forgiveth all thy sin : and healeth all thine infirmities;
4 Who saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;
5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things : making thee young and lusty as an eagle.
6 The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement : for all them that are oppressed with wrong.
7 He shewed his ways unto Moses : his works unto the children of Israel.
8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, and of great goodness.
9 He will not alway be chiding : neither keepeth he his anger for ever.
10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins : nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.
11 For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth : so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12 Look how wide also the east is from the west : so far hath he set our sins from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children : even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth whereof we are made : he remembereth that we are but dust.

15 The days of man are but as grass : for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone : and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him : and his righteousness upon children's children;

18 Even upon such as keep his covenant : and think upon his commandments to do them.

19 The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven : and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength : ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

21 O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion : praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

DAY 20 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 104. *Benedic, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious; thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

2 Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment : and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.

3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters : and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.

4 He maketh his angels spirits : and his ministers a flaming fire.

5 He laid the foundations of the earth : that it never should move at any time.

6 Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment : the waters stand in the hills.

7 At thy rebuke they flee : at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.

8 They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath : even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.

9 Thou hast set them their bounds which they shall not pass : neither turn again to cover the earth.

10 He sendeth the springs into the rivers : which run among the hills.

11 All beasts of the field drink thereof : and the wild asses quench their thirst.

12 Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation : and sing among the branches.

13 He watereth the hills from above : the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.

14 He bringeth forth grass for the cattle : and green herb for the service of men;

15 That he may bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man : and oil to make him a cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen man's heart.

16 The trees of the Lord also are full of sap : even the cedars of Libanus which he hath planted;

17 Wherein the birds make their nests : and the fir-trees are a dwelling for the stork.

18 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats : and so are the stony rocks for the conies.

19 He appointed the moon for certain seasons : and the sun knoweth his going down.

20 Thou makest darkness that it may be night : wherein all the beasts of the forest do move.

21 The lions roaring after their prey : do seek their meat from God.

22 The sun ariseth, and they get them away together : and lay them down in their dens.

23 Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour : until the evening.

24 O Lord, how manifold are thy works : in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.

25 So is the great and wide sea also : wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

26 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan : whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

27 These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.

28 When thou givest it them they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.

29 When thou hidest thy face they are troubled : when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.

30 When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

31 The glorious majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

32 The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.

33 I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live : I will praise my God while I have my being.

34 And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.

35 As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end : praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 21

PSALM 105. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name : tell the people what things he hath done.

2 O let your songs be of him, and praise him : and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.

3 Rejoice in his holy Name : let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

4 Seek the Lord and his strength : seek his face evermore.

5 Remember the marvellous works that he hath done : his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth,

6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant : ye children of Jacob his chosen.

7 He is the Lord our God : his judgements are in all the world.

8 He hath been alway mindful of his covenant and promise : that he made to a thousand generations;
9 Even the covenant that he made with Abraham : and the oath that he sware unto Isaac;
10 And appointed the same unto Jacob for a law : and to Israel for an everlasting testament;
11 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan : the lot of your inheritance;
12 When there were yet but a few of them : and they strangers in the land;
13 What time as they went from one nation to another : from one kingdom to another people;
14 He suffered no man to do them wrong : but reproved even kings for their sakes;
15 Touch not mine Anointed : and do my prophets no harm.
16 Moreover, he called for a dearth upon the land : and destroyed all the provision of bread.
17 But he had sent a man before them : even Joseph, who was sold to be a bondservant;
18 Whose feet they hurt in the stocks : the iron entered into his soul;
19 Until the time came that his cause was known : the word of the Lord tried him.
20 The king sent, and delivered him : the prince of the people let him go free.
21 He made him lord also of his house : and ruler of all his substance;
22 That he might inform his princes after his will : and teach his senators wisdom.
23 Israel also came into Egypt : and Jacob was a stranger in the land of Ham.

24 And he increased his people exceedingly : and made them stronger than their enemies;

25 Whose heart turned, so that they hated his people : and dealt untruly with his servants.

26 Then sent he Moses his servant : and Aaron whom he had chosen.

27 And these shewed his tokens among them : and wonders in the land of Ham.

28 He sent darkness, and it was dark : and they were not obedient unto his word.

29 He turned their waters into blood : and slew their fish.

30 Their land brought forth frogs : yea, even in their kings' chambers.

31 He spake the word, and there came all manner of flies : and lice in all their quarters.

32 He gave them hail-stones for rain : and flames of fire in their land.

33 He smote their vines also and fig-trees : and destroyed the trees that were in their coasts.

34 He spake the word, and the grasshoppers came, and caterpillars innumerable : and did eat up all the grass in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

35 He smote all the first-born in their land : even the chief of all their strength.

36 He brought them forth also with silver and gold : there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

37 Egypt was glad at their departing : for they were afraid of them.

38 He spread out a cloud to be a covering : and fire to give light in the night-season.

39 At their desire he brought quails : and he filled them with the bread of heaven.

40 He opened the rock of stone, and the waters flowed out : so that rivers ran in the dry places.

41 For why? he remembered his holy promise : and Abraham his servant.

42 And he brought forth his people with joy : and his chosen with gladness;

43 And gave them the lands of the heathen : and they took the labours of the people in possession;

44 That they might keep his statutes : and observe his laws.

DAY 21 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 106. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Who can express the noble acts of the Lord : or shew forth all his praise?

3 Blessed are they that alway keep judgement : and do righteousness.

4 Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour that thou bearest unto thy people : O visit me with thy salvation;

5 That I may see the felicity of thy chosen : and rejoice in the gladness of thy people, and give thanks with thine inheritance.

6 We have sinned with our fathers : we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly.

7 Our fathers regarded not thy wonders in Egypt, neither kept they thy great goodness in remembrance : but were disobedient at the sea, even at the Red sea.

8 Nevertheless, he helped them for his Name's sake : that he might make his power to be known.

9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up : so he led them through the deep, as through a wilderness.

10 And he saved them from the adversaries' hand : and delivered them from the hand of the enemy.

11 As for those that troubled them, the waters overwhelmed them : there was not one of them left.

12 Then believed they his words : and sang praise unto him.

13 But within a while they forgat his works : and would not abide his counsel.

14 But lust came upon them in the wilderness : and they tempted God in the desert.

15 And he gave them their desire : and sent leanness withal into their soul.

16 They angered Moses also in the tents : and Aaron the saint of the Lord.

17 So the earth opened, and swallowed up Dathan : and covered the congregation of Abiram.

18 And the fire was kindled in their company : the flame burnt up the ungodly.

19 They made a calf in Horeb : and worshipped the molten image.

20 Thus they turned their glory : into the similitude of a calf that eateth hay.

21 And they forgat God their Saviour : who had done so great things in Egypt;

22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham : and fearful things by the Red sea.

23 So he said, he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the gap : to turn away his

wrathful indignation, lest he should destroy them.

24 Yea, they thought scorn of that pleasant land : and gave no credence unto his word;

25 But murmured in their tents : and hearkened not unto the voice of the Lord.

26 Then lift he up his hand against them : to overthrow them in the wilderness;

27 To cast out their seed among the nations : and to scatter them in the lands.

28 They joined themselves unto Baal-peor : and ate the offerings of the dead.

29 Thus they provoked him to anger with their own inventions : and the plague was great among them.

30 Then stood up Phinees and prayed : and so the plague ceased.

31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness : among all posterities for evermore.

32 They angered him also at the waters of strife : so that he punished Moses for their sakes;

33 Because they provoked his spirit : so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.

34 Neither destroyed they the heathen : as the Lord commanded them;

35 But were mingled among the heathen : and learned their works.

36 Insomuch that they worshipped their idols, which turned to their own decay : yea, they offered their sons and their daughters unto devils;

37 And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters : whom they offered unto the idols of Canaan; and the land was defiled with blood.

38 Thus were they stained with their own works : and went a whoring with their own inventions.

39 Therefore was the wrath of the Lord kindled against his people : insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.

40 And he gave them over into the hands of the heathen : and they that hated them were lords over them.

41 Their enemies oppressed them : and had them in subjection.

42 Many a time did he deliver them : but they rebelled against him with their own inventions, and were brought down in their wickedness.

43 Nevertheless, when he saw their adversity : he heard their complaint.

44 He thought upon his covenant, and pitied them according unto the multitude of his mercies : yea, he made all those that led them away captive to pity them.

45 Deliver us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the heathen : that we may give thanks unto thy holy Name, and make our boast of thy praise.

46 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting and world without end : and let all the people say, Amen.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 22

PSALM 107. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed : and delivered from the hand of the enemy;

3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east and from the west : from the north and from the south.

4 They went astray in the wilderness out of the way : and found no city to dwell in;

5 Hungry and thirsty : their soul fainted in them.

6 So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : and he delivered them from their distress.

7 He led them forth by the right way : that they might go to the city where they dwelt.

8 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

9 For he satisfieth the empty soul : and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

10 Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : being fast bound in misery and iron;

11 Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord : and lightly regarded the counsel of the most Highest;

12 He also brought down their heart through heaviness : they fell down, and there was none to help them.

13 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

14 For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death : and brake their bonds in sunder.

15 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

16 For he hath broken the gates of brass : and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

17 Foolish men are plagued for their offence : and because of their wickedness.

18 Their soul abhorred all manner of meat : and they were even hard at death's door.

19 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

20 He sent his word, and healed them : and they were saved from their destruction.

21 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

22 That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and tell out his works with gladness!

23 They that go down to the sea in ships : and occupy their business in great waters;

24 These men see the works of the Lord : and his wonders in the deep.

25 For at his word the stormy wind ariseth : which lifteth up the waves thereof.

26 They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep : their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man : and are at their wits' end.

28 So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivereth them out of their distress.

29 For he maketh the storm to cease : so that the waves thereof are still.

30 Then are they glad, because they are at rest : and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

31 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

32 That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people : and praise him in the seat of the elders!

33 Who turneth the floods into a wilderness : and drieth up the water-springs.

34 A fruitful land maketh he barren : for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

35 Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water : and water-springs of a dry ground.

36 And there he setteth the hungry : that they may build them a city to dwell in;

37 That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards : to yield them fruits of increase.

38 He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly : and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

39 And again, when they are minished and brought low : through oppression, through any plague or trouble;

40 Though he suffer them to be evil intreated through tyrants : and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness;

41 Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery : and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.

42 The righteous will consider this, and rejoice : and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

43 Whoso is wise will ponder these things : and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 108. *Paratum cor meum.*

O GOD, my heart is ready, my heart is ready : I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.

2 Awake, thou lute, and harp : I myself will awake right early.

3 I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people : I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

4 For thy mercy is greater than the heavens : and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

5 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens : and thy glory above all the earth.

6 That thy beloved may be delivered : let thy right hand save them, and hear thou me.

7 God hath spoken in his holiness : I will rejoice therefore, and divide Sichem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

8 Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine : Ephraim also is the strength of my head.

9 Judah is my law-giver, Moab is my wash-pot : over Edom will I cast out my shoe, upon Philistia will I triumph.

10 Who will lead me into the strong city : and who will bring me into Edom?

11 Hast not thou forsaken us, O God : and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?

12 O help us against the enemy : for vain is the help of man.

13 Through God we shall do great acts : and it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

PSALM 109. *Deus, laudem.*

HOLD not thy tongue, O God of my praise : for the mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon me.

2 And they have spoken against me with false tongues : they compassed me about also with words of hatred, and fought against me without a cause.

3 For the love that I had unto them, lo, they take now my contrary part : but I give myself unto prayer.

4 Thus have they rewarded me evil for good : and hatred for my good will.

5 Set thou an ungodly man to be ruler over him : and let Satan stand at his right hand.

6 When sentence is given upon him, let him be condemned : and let his prayer be turned into sin.

7 Let his days be few : and let another take his office.

8 Let his children be fatherless : and his wife a widow.

9 Let his children be vagabonds, and beg their bread : let them seek it also out of desolate places.

10 Let the extortioner consume all that he hath : and let the stranger spoil his labour.

11 Let there be no man to pity him : nor to have compassion upon his fatherless children.

12 Let his posterity be destroyed : and in the next generation let his name be clean put out.

13 Let the wickedness of his fathers be had in remembrance in the sight of the Lord : and let not the sin of his mother be done away.

14 Let them alway be before the Lord : that he may root out the memorial of them from off the earth.

15 And that, because his mind was not to do good : but persecuted the poor helpless man, that he might slay him that was vexed at the heart.

16 His delight was in cursing, and it shall happen unto him : he loved not blessing, therefore shall it be far from him.

17 He clothed himself with cursing, like as with a raiment : and it shall come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.

18 Let it be unto him as the cloke that he hath upon him : and as the girdle that he is alway girded withal.

19 Let it thus happen from the Lord unto mine enemies : and to those that speak evil against my soul.

20 But deal thou with me, O Lord God, according unto thy Name : for sweet is thy mercy.

21 O deliver me, for I am helpless and poor : and my heart is wounded within me.

22 I go hence like the shadow that departeth : and am driven away as the grasshopper.

23 My knees are weak through fasting : my flesh is dried up for want of fatness.

24 I became also a reproach unto them : they that looked upon me shaked their heads.

25 Help me, O Lord my God : O save me according to thy mercy.

26 And they shall know, how that this is thy hand : and that thou, Lord, hast done it.

27 Though they curse, yet bless thou : and let them be confounded that rise up against me; but let thy servant rejoice.

28 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame : and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a cloke.

29 As for me, I will give great thanks unto the Lord with my mouth : and praise him among the multitude.

30 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor : to save his soul from unrighteous judges.

DAY 23 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 110. *Dixit Dominus.*

THE Lord said unto my Lord : Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

2 The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion : be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies.

3 In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship : the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

4 The Lord sware, and will not repent : Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.

5 The Lord upon thy right hand : shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.

6 He shall judge among the heathen; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies : and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.

7 He shall drink of the brook in the way : therefore shall he lift up his head.

PSALM 111. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart : secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

2 The works of the Lord are great : sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3 His work is worthy to be praised and had in honour : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works : that they ought to be had in remembrance.

5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him : he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.

6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works : that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7 The works of his hands are verity and judgement : all his commandments are true.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever : and are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption unto his people : he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his Name.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom : a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth for ever.

PSALM 112. *Beatus vir.*

BLESSED is the man that feareth the Lord : he hath great delight in his commandments.

2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth : the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.

3 Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness : he is merciful, loving, and righteous.

5 A good man is merciful, and lendeth : and will guide his words with discretion.

6 For he shall never be moved : and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings : for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.

8 His heart is established, and will not shrink : until he see his desire upon his enemies.

9 He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor : and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

10 The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him : he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away; the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 113. *Laudate, pueri.*

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants : O praise the Name of the Lord.

2 Blessed be the Name of the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.

3 The Lord's Name is praised : from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

4 The Lord is high above all heathen : and his glory above the heavens.

5 Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath his dwelling so high : and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?

6 He taketh up the simple out of the dust : and lifteth the poor out of the mire;

7 That he may set him with the princes : even with the princes of his people.

8 He maketh the barren woman to keep house : and to be a joyful mother of children.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 23

PSALM 114. *In exitu Israel.*

WHEN Israel came out of Egypt : and the house of Jacob from among the strange people,

2 Judah was his sanctuary : and Israel his dominion.

3 The sea saw that, and fled : Jordan was driven back.

4 The mountains skipped like rams : and the little hills like young sheep.

5 What aileth thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest : and thou Jordan, that thou wast driven back?

6 Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams : and ye little hills, like young sheep?

7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord : at the presence of the God of Jacob;

8 Who turned the hard rock into a standing water : and the flint-stone into a springing well.

PSALM 115. *Non nobis, Domine.*

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise : for thy loving mercy and for thy truth's sake.

2 Wherefore shall the heathen say : Where is now their God?

3 As for our God, he is in heaven : he hath done whatsoever pleased him.

4 Their idols are silver and gold : even the work of men's hands.

5 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, and see not.

6 They have ears, and hear not : noses have they, and smell not.

7 They have hands, and handle not; feet have they, and walk not : neither speak they through their throat.

8 They that make them are like unto them : and so are all such as put their trust in them.

9 But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the Lord : he is their succour and defence.

10 Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the Lord : he is their helper and defender.

11 Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord : he is their helper and defender.

12 The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us : even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron.

13 He shall bless them that fear the Lord : both small and great.

14 The Lord shall increase you more and more : you and your children.

15 Ye are the blessed of the Lord : who made heaven and earth.

16 All the whole heavens are the Lord's : the earth hath he given to the children of men.

17 The dead praise not thee, O Lord : neither all they that go down into silence.

18 But we will praise the Lord : from this time forth for evermore. Praise the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 24

PSALM 116. *Dilexi, quoniam.*

I AM well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

2 That he hath inclined his ear unto me : therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

3 The snares of death compassed me round about : and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

4 I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord : O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous : yea, our God is merciful.

6 The Lord preserveth the simple : I was in misery, and he helped me.

7 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul : for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

8 And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death : mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

9 I will walk before the Lord : in the land of the living.

10 I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.

11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant : I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

PSALM 117. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye heathen : praise him, all ye nations.

2 For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us : and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

PSALM 118. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : because his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let Israel now confess that he is gracious : and that his mercy endureth for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now confess : that his mercy endureth for ever.

4 Yea, let them now that fear the Lord confess : that his mercy endureth for ever.

5 I called upon the Lord in trouble : and the Lord heard me at large.

6 The Lord is on my side : I will not fear what man doeth unto me.

7 The Lord taketh my part with them that help me : therefore shall I see my desire upon mine enemies.

8 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in man.

9 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in princes.

10 All nations compassed me round about : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

11 They kept me in on every side, they kept me in, I say, on every side : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

12 They came about me like bees, and are extinct even as the fire among the thorns : for in the Name of the Lord I will destroy them.

13 Thou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall : but the Lord was my help.

14 The Lord is my strength, and my song : and is become my salvation.

15 The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

16 The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

17 I shall not die, but live : and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord hath chastened and corrected me : but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open me the gates of righteousness : that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord : the righteous shall enter into it.

21 I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me : and art become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders refused : is become the head-stone in the corner.

23 This is the Lord's doing : and it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day which the Lord hath made : we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Help me now, O Lord : O Lord, send us now prosperity.

26 Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the Lord : we have wished you good luck, ye that are of the house of the Lord.

27 God is the Lord who hath shewed us light : bind the sacrifice with cords, yea, even unto the horns of the altar.

28 Thou art my God, and I will thank thee : thou art my God, and I will praise thee.

29 O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

DAY 24 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 119. *Beati immaculati.*

BLESSED are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

2 Blessed are they that keep his testimonies : and seek him with their whole heart.

3 For they who do no wickedness : walk in his ways.

4 Thou hast charged : that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.
5 O that my ways were made so direct : that I might keep thy statutes!
6 So shall I not be confounded : while I have respect unto all thy commandments.
7 I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart : when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness.
8 I will keep thy ceremonies : O forsake me not utterly.

In quo corriget?

WHEREWITHAL shall a young man cleanse his way : even by ruling himself after thy word.
10 With my whole heart have I sought thee : O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.
11 Thy words have I hid within my heart : that I should not sin against thee.
12 Blessed art thou, O Lord : O teach me thy statutes.
13 With my lips have I been telling : of all the judgements of thy mouth.
14 I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies : as in all manner of riches.
15 I will talk of thy commandments : and have respect unto thy ways.
16 My delight shall be in thy statutes : and I will not forget thy word.

Retribue servo tuo.

O DO well unto thy servant : that I may live, and keep thy word.
18 Open thou mine eyes : that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.

19 I am a stranger upon earth : O hide not thy commandments from me.

20 My soul breaketh out for the very fervent desire : that it hath alway unto thy judgements.

21 Thou hast rebuked the proud : and cursed are they that do err from thy commandments.

22 O turn from me shame and rebuke : for I have kept thy testimonies.

23 Princes also did sit and speak against me : but thy servant is occupied in thy statutes.

24 For thy testimonies are my delight : and my counsellors.

Adhaesit pavimento.

MY soul cleaveth to the dust : O quicken thou me, according to thy word.

26 I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me : O teach me thy statutes.

27 Make me to understand the way of thy commandments : and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

28 My soul melteth away for very heaviness : comfort thou me according unto thy word.

29 Take from me the way of lying : and cause thou me to make much of thy law.

30 I have chosen the way of truth : and thy judgements have I laid before me.

31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies : O Lord, confound me not.

32 I will run the way of thy commandments : when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

MORNING PRAYER

Legem pone.

TEACH me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes : and I shall keep it unto the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law : yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments : for therein is my desire.

36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies : and not to covetousness.

37 O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity : and quicken thou me in thy way.

38 O stablish thy word in thy servant : that I may fear thee.

39 Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of : for thy judgements are good.

40 Behold, my delight is in thy commandments : O quicken me in thy righteousness.

Et veniat super me.

LET thy loving mercy come also unto me, O Lord : even thy salvation, according unto thy word.

42 So shall I make answer unto my blasphemers : for my trust is in thy word.

43 O take not the word of thy truth utterly out of my mouth : for my hope is in thy judgements.

44 So shall I alway keep thy law : yea, for ever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty : for I seek thy commandments.

46 I will speak of thy testimonies also, even before kings : and will not be ashamed.

47 And my delight shall be in thy commandments : which I have loved.

48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved : and my study shall be in thy statutes.

Memor esto servi tui.

O THINK upon thy servant, as concerning thy word : wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.

50 The same is my comfort in my trouble : for thy word hath quickened me.

51 The proud have had me exceedingly in derision : yet have I not shrinked from thy law.

52 For I remembered thine everlasting judgements, O Lord : and received comfort.

53 I am horribly afraid : for the ungodly that forsake thy law.

54 Thy statutes have been my songs : in the house of my pilgrimage.

55 I have thought upon thy Name, O Lord, in the night-season : and have kept thy law.

56 This I had : because I kept thy commandments.

Portio mea, Domine.

THOU art my portion, O Lord : I have promised to keep thy law.

58 I made my humble petition in thy presence with my whole heart : O be merciful unto me, according to thy word.

59 I called mine own ways to remembrance : and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.
60 I made haste, and prolonged not the time : to keep thy commandments.
61 The congregations of the ungodly have robbed me : but I have not forgotten thy law.
62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee : because of thy righteous judgements.
63 I am a companion of all them that fear thee : and keep thy commandments.
64 The earth, O Lord, is full of thy mercy : O teach me thy statutes.

Bonitatem fecisti.

O LORD, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servant : according unto thy word.
66 O learn me true understanding and knowledge : for I have believed thy commandments.
67 Before I was troubled, I went wrong : but now have I kept thy word.
68 Thou art good and gracious : O teach me thy statutes.
69 The proud have imagined a lie against me : but I will keep thy commandments with my whole heart.
70 Their heart is as fat as brawn : but my delight hath been in thy law.
71 It is good for me that I have been in trouble : that I may learn thy statutes.
72 The law of thy mouth is dearer unto me : than thousands of gold and silver.

EVENING PRAYER

Manus tuae fecerunt me.

THY hands have made me and fashioned me : O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

74 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me : because I have put my trust in thy word.

75 I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right : and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

76 O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort : according to thy word unto thy servant.

77 O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live : for thy law is my delight.

78 Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me : but I will be occupied in thy commandments.

79 Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies : be turned unto me.

80 O let my heart be sound in thy statutes : that I be not ashamed.

Defecit anima mea.

MY soul hath longed for thy salvation : and I have a good hope because of thy word.

82 Mine eyes long sore for thy word : saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?

83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke : yet do I not forget thy statutes.

84 How many are the days of thy servant : when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me?

85 The proud have digged pits for me : which are not after thy law.

86 All thy commandments are true : they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help.

87 They had almost made an end of me upon earth : but I forsook not thy commandments.

88 O quicken me after thy loving-kindness : and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

In aeternum, Domine.

O LORD, thy word : endureth for ever in heaven.

90 Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another : thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

91 They continue this day according to thine ordinance : for all things serve thee.

92 If my delight had not been in thy law : I should have perished in my trouble.

93 I will never forget thy commandments : for with them thou hast quickened me.

94 I am thine, O save me : for I have sought thy commandments.

95 The ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me : but I will consider thy testimonies.

96 I see that all things come to an end : but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

Quomodo dilexi!

LORD, what love have I unto thy law : all the day long is my study in it.

98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies : for they are ever with me.

99 I have more understanding than my teachers : for thy testimonies are my study.

100 I am wiser than the aged : because I keep thy commandments.

101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way : that I may keep thy word.

102 I have not shrunk from thy judgements : for thou teachest me.

103 O how sweet are thy words unto my throat : yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth.

104 Through thy commandments I get understanding : therefore I hate all evil ways.

DAY 26 MORNING PRAYER

Lucerna pedibus meis.

THY word is a lantern unto my feet : and a light unto my paths.

106 I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed : to keep thy righteous judgements.

107 I am troubled above measure : quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.

108 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord : and teach me thy judgements.

109 My soul is alway in my hand : yet do I not forget thy law.

110 The ungodly have laid a snare for me : but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.

111 Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever : and why? they are the very joy of my heart.

112 I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes alway : even unto the end.

Iniquos odio habui.

I HATE them that imagine evil things : but thy law do I love.

114 Thou art my defence and shield : and my trust is in thy word.

115 Away from me, ye wicked : I will keep the commandments of my God.

116 O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live : and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe : yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

118 Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes : for they imagine but deceit.

119 Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross : therefore I love thy testimonies.

120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee : and I am afraid of thy judgements.

Feci judicium.

I DEAL with the thing that is lawful and right : O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

122 Make thou thy servant to delight in that which is good : that the proud do me no wrong.

123 Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health : and for the word of thy righteousness.

124 O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy : and teach me thy statutes.

125 I am thy servant, O grant me understanding : that I may know thy testimonies.

126 It is time for thee, Lord, to lay to thine hand : for they have destroyed thy law.

127 For I love thy commandments : above gold and precious stone.

128 Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments : and all false ways I utterly abhor.

Mirabilia.

THY testimonies are wonderful : therefore doth my soul keep them.

130 When thy word goeth forth : it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

131 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath : for my delight was in thy commandments.

132 O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me : as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

133 Order my steps in thy word : and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

134 O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men : and so shall I keep thy commandments.

135 Shew the light of thy countenance upon thy servant : and teach me thy statutes.

136 Mine eyes gush out with water : because men keep not thy law.

Justus es, Domine.

RIGHTEOUS art thou, O Lord : and true is thy judgement.

138 The testimonies that thou hast commanded : are exceeding righteous and true.

139 My zeal hath even consumed me : because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

140 Thy word is tried to the uttermost : and thy servant loveth it.

141 I am small, and of no reputation : yet do I not forget thy commandments.

142 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness : and thy law is the truth.

143 Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me : yet is my delight in thy commandments.

144 The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting : O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 26

Clamavi in toto corde meo.

I CALL with my whole heart : hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes.

146 Yea, even unto thee do I call : help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.

147 Early in the morning do I cry unto thee : for in thy word is my trust.

148 Mine eyes prevent the night-watches : that I might be occupied in thy words.

149 Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness : quicken me, according as thou art wont.

150 They draw nigh that of malice persecute me : and are far from thy law.

151 Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord : for all thy commandments are true.

152 As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since : that thou hast grounded them for ever.

Vide humilitatem.

O CONSIDER mine adversity, and deliver me : for I do not forget thy law.
154 Avenge thou my cause, and deliver me : quicken me, according to thy word.
155 Health is far from the ungodly : for they regard not thy statutes.
156 Great is thy mercy, O Lord : quicken me, as thou art wont.
157 Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me : yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.
158 It grieveth me when I see the transgressors : because they keep not thy law.
159 Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments : O quicken me, according to thy loving-kindness.
160 Thy word is true from everlasting : all the judgements of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

Principes persecuti sunt.

PRINCES have persecuted me without a cause : but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.
162 I am as glad of thy word : as one that findeth great spoils.
163 As for lies, I hate and abhor them : but thy law do I love.
164 Seven times a day do I praise thee : because of thy righteous judgements.
165 Great is the peace that they have who love thy law : and they are not offended at it.
166 Lord, I have looked for thy saving health : and done after thy commandments.

167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies : and loved them exceedingly.

168 I have kept thy commandments and testimonies : for all my ways are before thee.

Appropinquet deprecatio.

LET my complaint come before thee, O Lord : give me understanding, according to thy word.

170 Let my supplication come before thee : deliver me, according to thy word.

171 My lips shall speak of thy praise : when thou hast taught me thy statutes.

172 Yea, my tongue shall sing of thy word : for all thy commandments are righteous.

173 Let thine hand help me : for I have chosen thy commandments.

174 I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord : and in thy law is my delight.

175 O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee : and thy judgements shall help me.

176 I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost : O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 27

PSALM 120. *Ad Dominum.*

WHEN I was in trouble I called upon the Lord : and he heard me.

2 Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips : and from a deceitful tongue.

3 What reward shall be given or done unto thee, thou false tongue : even mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

4 Woe is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Mesech : and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar.

5 My soul hath long dwelt among them : that are enemies unto peace.

6 I labour for peace, but when I speak unto them thereof : they make them ready to battle.

PSALM 121. *Levavi oculos.*

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.

2 My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord himself is thy keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

6 So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

8 The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

PSALM 122. *Laetatus sum.*

I WAS glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord.

2 Our feet shall stand in thy gates : O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city : that is at unity in itself.

4 For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord : to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

5 For there is the seat of judgement : even the seat of the house of David.

6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.

7 Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces.

8 For my brethren and companions' sakes : I will wish thee prosperity.

9 Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God : I will seek to do thee good.

PSALM 123. *Ad te levavi oculos meos.*

UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes : O thou that dwellest in the heavens.

2 Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress : even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us.

3 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us : for we are utterly despised.

4 Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy : and with the despitefulness of the proud.

PSALM 124. *Nisi quia Dominus.*

IF the Lord himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say : if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

2 They had swallowed us up quick : when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.

3 Yea, the waters had drowned us : and the stream had gone over our soul.

4 The deep waters of the proud : had gone even over our soul.

5 But praised be the Lord : who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.

6 Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler : the snare is broken, and we are delivered.

7 Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

PSALM 125. *Qui confidunt.*

THEY that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion : which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.

2 The hills stand about Jerusalem : even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.

3 For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous : lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.

4 Do well, O Lord : unto those that are good and true of heart.

5 As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness : the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil-doers; but peace shall be upon Israel.

DAY 27 EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 126. *In convertendo.*

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion : then were we like unto them that dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter : and our tongue with joy.

3 Then said they among the heathen : The Lord hath done great things for them.

4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already : whereof we rejoice.

5 Turn our captivity, O Lord : as the rivers in the south.

6 They that sow in tears : shall reap in joy.

7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed : shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

PSALM 127. *Nisi Dominus.*

EXCEPT the Lord build the house : their labour is but lost that build it.

2 Except the Lord keep the city : the watchman waketh but in vain.

3 It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness : for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

4 Lo, children and the fruit of the womb : are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

5 Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant : even so are the young children.

6 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them : they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

PSALM 128. *Beati omnes.*

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord : and walk in his ways.

2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands : O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine : upon the walls of thine house.

4 Thy children like the olive-branches : round about thy table.

5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed : that feareth the Lord.

6 The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee : that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.

7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children : and peace upon Israel.

PSALM 129. *Saepe expugnaverunt.*

MANY a time have they fought against me from my youth up : may Israel now say.

2 Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up : but they have not prevailed against me.

3 The plowers plowed upon my back : and made long furrows.

4 But the righteous Lord : hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.

5 Let them be confounded and turned backward : as many as have evil will at Sion.

6 Let them be even as the grass growing upon the house-tops : which withereth afore it be plucked up;

7 Whereof the mower filleth not his hand : neither he that bindeth up the sheaves his bosom.

8 So that they who go by say not so much as, The Lord prosper you : we wish you good luck in the Name of the Lord.

PSALM 130. *De profundis.*

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

2 O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.

3 If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it?

4 For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.

5 I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him : in his word is my trust.

6 My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy : and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

PSALM 131. *Domine, non est.*

LORD, I am not high-minded : I have no proud looks.

2 I do not exercise myself in great matters : which are too high for me.

3 But I refrain my soul, and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother : yea, my soul is even as a weaned child.

4 O Israel, trust in the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 28

PSALM 132. *Memento, Domine.*

LORD, remember David : and all his trouble;

2 How he sware unto the Lord : and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;

3 I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house : nor climb up into my bed;

4 I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye-lids to slumber : neither the temples of my head to take any rest;

5 Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord : an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

6 Lo, we heard of the same at Ephrata : and found it in the wood.

7 We will go into his tabernacle : and fall low on our knees before his footstool.

8 Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place : thou, and the ark of thy strength.

9 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness : and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

10 For thy servant David's sake : turn not away the presence of thine Anointed.

11 The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David : and he shall not shrink from it;

12 Of the fruit of thy body : shall I set upon thy seat.

13 If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall learn them : their children also shall sit upon thy seat for evermore.

14 For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for himself : he hath longed for her.

15 This shall be my rest for ever : here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.

16 I will bless her victuals with increase : and will satisfy her poor with bread.

17 I will deck her priests with health : and her saints shall rejoice and sing.

18 There shall I make the horn of David to flourish : I have ordained a lantern for mine Anointed.

19 As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame : but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

PSALM 133. *Ecce, quam bonum!*

BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is : brethren, to dwell together in unity!

2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard : even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.

3 Like as the dew of Hermon : which fell upon the hill of Sion.

4 For there the Lord promised his blessing : and life for evermore.

PSALM 134. *Ecce nunc.*

BEHOLD now, praise the Lord : all ye servants of the Lord;

2 Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord : even in the courts of the house of our God.

3 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary : and praise the Lord.

4 The Lord that made heaven and earth : give thee blessing out of Sion.

PSALM 135. *Laudate Nomen.*

O PRAISE the Lord, laud ye the Name of the Lord : praise it, O ye servants of the Lord;

2 Ye that stand in the house of the Lord : in the courts of the house of our God.

3 O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious : O sing praises unto his Name, for it is lovely.

4 For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself : and Israel for his own possession.

5 For I know that the Lord is great : and that our Lord is above all gods.

6 Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven and in earth : and in the sea, and in all deep places.

7 He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world : and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the winds out of his treasures.

8 He smote the first-born of Egypt : both of man and beast.

9 He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou land of Egypt : upon Pharaoh, and all his servants.

10 He smote divers nations : and slew mighty kings;

11 Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan : and all the kingdoms of Canaan;

12 And gave their land to be an heritage : even an heritage unto Israel his people.

13 Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever : so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.

14 For the Lord will avenge his people : and be gracious unto his servants.

15 As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver and gold : the work of men's hands.

16 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, but they see not.

17 They have ears, and yet they hear not : neither is there any breath in their mouths.

18 They that make them are like unto them : and so are all they that put their trust in them.

19 Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel : praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.

20 Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi : ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.
21 Praised be the Lord out of Sion : who dwelleth at Jerusalem.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 28

PSALM 136. *Confitemini.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.
2 O give thanks unto the God of all gods : for his mercy endureth for ever.
3 O thank the Lord of all lords : for his mercy endureth for ever.
4 Who only doeth great wonders : for his mercy endureth for ever.
5 Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens : for his mercy endureth for ever.
6 Who laid out the earth above the waters : for his mercy endureth for ever.
7 Who hath made great lights : for his mercy endureth for ever;
8 The sun to rule the day : for his mercy endureth for ever;
9 The moon and the stars to govern the night : for his mercy endureth for ever.
10 Who smote Egypt with their first-born : for his mercy endureth for ever;
11 And brought out Israel from among them : for his mercy endureth for ever;
12 With a mighty hand, and stretched out arm : for his mercy endureth for ever.
13 Who divided the Red sea in two parts : for his mercy endureth for ever;
14 And made Israel to go through the midst of it : for his mercy endureth for ever.

15 But as for Pharaoh and his host, he overthrew them in the Red sea : for his mercy endureth for ever.

16 Who led his people through the wilderness : for his mercy endureth for ever.

17 Who smote great kings : for his mercy endureth for ever;

18 Yea, and slew mighty kings : for his mercy endureth for ever;

19 Sehon king of the Amorites : for his mercy endureth for ever;

20 And Og the king of Basan : for his mercy endureth for ever;

21 And gave away their land for an heritage : for his mercy endureth for ever;

22 Even for an heritage unto Israel his servant : for his mercy endureth for ever.

23 Who remembered us when we were in trouble : for his mercy endureth for ever;

24 And hath delivered us from our enemies : for his mercy endureth for ever.

25 Who giveth food to all flesh : for his mercy endureth for ever.

26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven : for his mercy endureth for ever.

27 O give thanks unto the Lord of lords : for his mercy endureth for ever.

PSALM 137. *Super flumina.*

BY the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept : when we remembered thee, O Sion.

2 As for our harps, we hanged them up : upon the trees that are therein.

3 For they that led us away captive required of us then a song, and melody in our heaviness : Sing us one of the songs of Sion.

4 How shall we sing the Lord's song : in a strange land?

5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem : let my right hand forget her cunning.

6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth : yea, if I prefer not Jerusalem in my mirth.

7 Remember the children of Edom, O Lord, in the day of Jerusalem : how they said, Down with it, down with it, even to the ground.

8 O daughter of Babylon, wasted with misery : yea, happy shall he be that rewardeth thee, as thou hast served us.

9 Blessed shall he be that taketh thy children : and throweth them against the stones.

PSALM 138. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.

3 When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.

4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : that great is the glory of the Lord.

6 For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

8 The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

DAY 29 MORNING PRAYER

PSALM 139. *Domine, probasti.*

O LORD, thou hast searched me out and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising, thou understandest my thoughts long before.

2 Thou art about my path, and about my bed : and spiest out all my ways.

3 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue : but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

4 Thou hast fashioned me behind and before : and laid thine hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me : I cannot attain unto it.

6 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit : or whither shall I go then from thy presence?

7 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there : if I go down to hell, thou art there also.

8 If I take the wings of the morning : and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

9 Even there also shall thy hand lead me : and thy right hand shall hold me.

10 If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me : then shall my night be turned to day.

11 Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day : the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

12 For my reins are thine : thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

13 I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made : marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.

14 My bones are not hid from thee : though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.

15 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect : and in thy book were all my members written;

16 Which day by day were fashioned : when as yet there was none of them.

17 How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God : O how great is the sum of them!

18 If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand : when I wake up I am present with thee.

19 Wilt thou not slay the wicked, O God : depart from me, ye blood-thirsty men.

20 For they speak unrighteously against thee : and thine enemies take thy Name in vain.

21 Do not I hate them, O Lord, that hate thee : and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?

22 Yea, I hate them right sore : even as though they were mine enemies.

23 Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart : prove me, and examine my thoughts.

24 Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me : and lead me in the way everlasting.

PSALM 140. *Eripe me, Domine.*

DELIVER me, O Lord, from the evil man : and preserve me from the wicked man.

2 Who imagine mischief in their hearts : and stir up strife all the day long.

3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent : adders' poison is under their lips.

4 Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly : preserve me from the wicked men, who are purposed to overthrow my goings.

5 The proud have laid a snare for me, and spread a net abroad with cords : yea, and set traps in my way.

6 I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God : hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord.

7 O Lord God, thou strength of my health : thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

8 Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord : let not his mischievous imagination prosper, lest they be too proud.

9 Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them : that compass me about.

10 Let hot burning coals fall upon them : let them be cast into the fire and into the pit, that they never rise up again.

11 A man full of words shall not prosper upon the earth : evil shall hunt the wicked person to overthrow him.

12 Sure I am that the Lord will avenge the poor : and maintain the cause of the helpless.

13 The righteous also shall give thanks unto thy Name : and the just shall continue in thy sight.

PSALM 141. *Domine, clamavi.*

LORD, I call upon thee, haste thee unto me : and consider my voice when I cry unto thee.

2 Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense : and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

3 Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth : and keep the door of my lips.

4 O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing : let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work wickedness, lest I eat of such things as please them.

5 Let the righteous rather smite me friendly : and reprove me.

6 But let not their precious balms break my head : yea, I will pray yet against their wickedness.

7 Let their judges be overthrown in stony places : that they may hear my words, for they are sweet.

8 Our bones lie scattered before the pit : like as when one breaketh and heweth wood upon the earth,

9 But mine eyes look unto thee, O Lord God : in thee is my trust, O cast not out my soul,

10 Keep me from the snare that they have laid for me : and from the traps of the wicked doers,

11 Let the ungodly fall into their own nets together : and let me ever escape them.

EVENING PRAYER

PSALM 142. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

I CRIED unto the Lord with my voice : yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.

2 I poured out my complaints before him : and shewed him of my trouble.

3 When my spirit was in heaviness thou knewest my path : in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

4 I looked also upon my right hand : and saw there was no man that would know me.

5 I had no place to flee unto : and no man cared for my soul.

6 I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said : Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.

7 Consider my complaint : for I am brought very low.

8 O deliver me from my persecutors : for they are too strong for me.

9 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy Name : which thing if thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

PSALM 143. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire : hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

2 And enter not into judgement with thy servant : for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground : he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

4 Therefore is my spirit vexed within me : and my heart within me is desolate.

5 Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works : yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee : my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

7 Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint : hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

8 O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust : shew thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9 Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies : for I flee unto thee to hide me.

10 Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee, for thou art my God : let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

11 Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake : and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

12 And of thy goodness slay mine enemies : and destroy all them that vex my soul; for I am thy servant.

MORNING PRAYER DAY 30

PSALM 144. *Benedictus Dominus.*

BLESSED be the Lord my strength : who teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight;

2 My hope and my fortress, my castle and deliverer, my defender in whom I trust : who subdueth my people that is under me.

3 Lord, what is man, that thou hast such respect unto him : or the son of man, that thou so regardest him?

4 Man is like a thing of nought : his time passeth away like a shadow.

5 Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down : touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

6 Cast forth thy lightning, and tear them : shoot out thine arrows, and consume them.

7 Send down thine hand from above : deliver me, and take me out of the great waters, from the hand of strange children;

8 Whose mouth talketh of vanity : and their right hand is a right hand of wickedness.

9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God : and sing praises unto thee upon a ten-stringed lute.

10 Thou hast given victory unto kings : and hast delivered David thy servant from the peril of the sword.

11 Save me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children : whose mouth talketh of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of iniquity.

12 That our sons may grow up as the young plants : and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple.

13 That our garners may be full and plenteous with all manner of store : that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets.

14 That our oxen may be strong to labour, that there be no decay : no leading into captivity, and no complaining in our streets.

15 Happy are the people that are in such a case : yea, blessed are the people who have the Lord for their God.

PSALM 145. *Exaltabo te, Deus.*

I WILL magnify thee, O God, my King : and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.

2 Every day will I give thanks unto thee : and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

3 Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy to be praised : there is no end of his greatness.

4 One generation shall praise thy works unto another : and declare thy power.

5 As for me, I will be talking of thy worship : thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;

6 So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts : and I will also tell of thy greatness.

7 The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed : and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

8 The Lord is gracious and merciful : long-suffering and of great goodness.

9 The Lord is loving unto every man : and his mercy is over all his works.

10 All thy works praise thee, O Lord : and thy saints give thanks unto thee.

11 They shew the glory of thy kingdom : and talk of thy power;

12 That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom : might be known unto men.

13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom : and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

14 The Lord upholdeth all such as fall : and lifteth up all those that are down.

15 The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord : and thou givest them their meat in due season.

16 Thou openest thine hand : and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

17 The Lord is righteous in all his ways : and holy in all his works.

18 The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him : yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.

19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him : he also will hear their cry, and will help them.

20 The Lord preserveth all them that love him : but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.

21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

PSALM 146. *Lauda, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live will I praise the Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man : for there is no help in them.

3 For when the breath of man goeth forth he shall turn again to his earth : and then all his thoughts perish.

4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help : and whose hope is in the Lord his God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is : who keepeth his promise for ever;

6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong : who feedeth the hungry.

7 The Lord looseth men out of prison : the Lord giveth sight to the blind.
8 The Lord helpeth them that are fallen : the Lord careth for the righteous.
9 The Lord careth for the strangers, he defendeth the fatherless and widow : as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.
10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore : and throughout all generations.

EVENING PRAYER DAY 30

PSALM 147. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God : yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.
2 The Lord doth build up Jerusalem : and gather together the out-casts of Israel.
3 He healeth those that are broken in heart : and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.
4 He telleth the number of the stars : and calleth them all by their names.
5 Great is our Lord, and great is his power : yea, and his wisdom is infinite.
6 The Lord setteth up the meek : and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.
7 O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving : sing praises upon the harp unto our God;
8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth : and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men;
9 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle : and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.
10 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse : neither delighteth he in any man's legs.

11 But the Lord's delight is in them that fear him : and put their trust in his mercy.

12 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem : praise thy God, O Sion.

13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates : and hath blessed thy children within thee.

14 He maketh peace in thy borders : and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth : and his word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool : and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels : who is able to abide his frost?

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them : he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.

19 He sheweth his word unto Jacob : his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation : neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

PSALM 148. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord of heaven : praise him in the height.

2 Praise him, all ye angels of his : praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon : praise him, all ye stars and light.

4 Praise him, all ye heavens : and ye waters that are above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord : for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath made them fast for ever and ever : he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.

7 Praise the Lord upon earth : ye dragons, and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and vapours : wind and storm, fulfilling his word;

9 Mountains and all hills : fruitful trees and all cedars;

10 Beasts and all cattle : worms and feathered fowls;

11 Kings of the earth and all people : princes and all judges of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord : for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.

13 He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his saints shall praise him : even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

PSALM 149. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : let the congregation of saints praise him.

2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him : and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance : let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.

4 For the Lord hath pleasure in his people : and helpeth the meek-hearted.

5 Let the saints be joyful with glory : let them rejoice in their beds.

6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth : and a two-edged sword in their hands;

7 To be avenged of the heathen : and to rebuke the people;

8 To bind their kings in chains : and their nobles with links of iron.

9 That they may be avenged of them, as it is written : Such honour have all his saints.

PSALM 150. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.

4 Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.

5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.

6 Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.

FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED AT SEA

¶ *The Morning and Evening Service to be used daily at Sea shall be the same which is appointed in this Book of Common Prayer.*

¶ *Prayers to be used in his Majesty's Navy every day.*

O ETERNAL Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; who hast compassed the waters with bounds until day and night come to an end: Be pleased to receive into thy Almighty and most gracious protection the persons of us thy servants, and the Fleet in which we serve. Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, and from the violence of the enemy; that we may be a safeguard unto our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King *GEORGE*, and his Dominions, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of our Empire may in peace and quietness serve thee our God; and that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the land, with the fruits of our labours; and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies to praise and glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *The Collect.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and

finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Prayers to be used in Storms at Sea.*

O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, at whose command the winds blow, and lift up the waves of the sea, and who stillest the rage thereof: We thy creatures, but miserable sinners, do in this our great distress cry unto thee for help: Save, Lord, or else we perish. We confess, when we have been safe, and seen all things quiet about us, we have forgot thee our God, and refused to hearken to the still voice of thy word, and to obey thy commandments: But now we see how terrible thou art in all thy works of wonder; the great God to be feared above all: And therefore we adore thy Divine Majesty, acknowledging thy power, and imploring thy goodness. Help, Lord, and save us for thy mercy's sake in Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this:*

O MOST glorious and gracious Lord God, who dwellest in heaven, but beholdest all things below: Look down, we beseech thee, and hear us, calling out of the depth of misery, and out of the jaws of this death, which is ready now to swallow us up: Save, Lord, or else we perish. The living, the living shall praise thee. O send thy word of command to rebuke the raging winds, and the roaring sea; that we, being delivered from this distress, may live to serve thee, and to glorify thy Name all the days of our life. Hear, Lord, and save us, for the infinite merits of our blessed Saviour, thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *The Prayer to be said before a Fight at Sea against any Enemy.*

O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, the Lord of hosts, that rulest and commandest all things: Thou sittest in the throne judging right, and therefore we make our address to thy Divine Majesty in this our necessity, that thou wouldest take the cause into thine own hand, and judge between us and our enemies. Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come and help us; for thou givest not alway the battle to the strong, but canst save by many or by few. O let not our sins now cry against us for vengeance; but hear us thy poor servants begging mercy, and imploring thy help, and that thou wouldest be a defence unto us against the face of the enemy. Make it appear that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *General Prayers.*

¶ *Short prayers for single persons that cannot meet to join in prayer with others, by reason of the Fight, or Storm.*

LORD, be merciful to us sinners, and save us for thy mercy's sake.

Thou art the great God, that hast made and rulest all things: O deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Thou art the great God to be feared above all: O save us, that we may praise thee.

¶ *Special prayers with respect to the Enemy.*

THOU, O Lord, art just and powerful: O defend our cause against the face of the enemy.

O God, thou art a strong tower of defence to all that flee unto thee: O save us from the violence of the enemy.

O Lord of hosts, fight for us, that we may glorify thee.

O suffer us not to sink under the weight of our sins, or the violence of the enemy.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

¶ *Short prayers in respect of a Storm.*

THOU, O Lord, that stillest the raging of the sea: hear, hear us, and save us, that we perish not.

O blessed Saviour, that didst save thy disciples ready to perish in a storm: hear us, and save us, we beseech thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, hear us.
O Christ, hear us.

God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us, save us now and evermore. Amen.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *When there shall be imminent danger, as many as can be spared from necessary service in the Ship shall be called together, and make an humble Confession of their sin to God: In which every one ought seriously to reflect upon those particular sins of which his conscience shall accuse him: saying as followeth.*

¶ *The Confession.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, if there be any in the Ship, pronounce this Absolution.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Thanksgiving after a Storm.*

Jubilate Deo. Psalm 66.

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious.

Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works: through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee.

For all the world shall worship thee : sing of thee, and praise thy Name.

O come hither, and behold the works of God : how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men.

He turned the sea into dry land : so that they went through the water on foot; there did we rejoice thereof.

He ruleth with his power for ever; his eyes behold the people : and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.

O praise our God, ye people : and make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holdeth our soul in life : and suffereth not our feet to slip.

For thou, O God, hast proved us : thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.

Thou broughtest us into the snare : and laidest trouble upon our loins.

Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads : we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings : and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams : I will offer bullocks and goats.

O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God : and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.

I called unto him with my mouth : and gave him praises with my tongue.

If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart : the Lord will not hear me.

But God hath heard me : and considered the voice of my prayer.

Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Confitemini Domino. Psalm 107.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed : and delivered from the hand of the enemy;

And gathered them out of the lands, from the east and from the west : from the north and from the south.

They went astray in the wilderness out of the way : and found no city to dwell in;

Hungry and thirsty : their soul fainted in them.

So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : and he delivered them from their distress.

He led them forth by the right way : that they might go to the city where they dwelt.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

For he satisfieth the empty soul : and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : being fast bound in misery and iron;

Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord : and lightly regarded the counsel of the most Highest;

He also brought down their heart through heaviness : they fell down, and there was none to help them up.

So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death : and brake their bonds in sunder.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

For he hath broken the gates of brass : and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

Foolish men are plagued for their offence : and because of their wickedness.

Their soul abhorred all manner of meat : and they were even hard at death's door.

So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

He sent his word, and healed them : and they were saved from their destruction.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and tell out his works with gladness!

They that go down to the sea in ships : and occupy their business in great waters:

These men see the works of the Lord : and his wonders in the deep.

For at his word the stormy wind ariseth : which lifteth up the waves thereof.

They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep : their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man : and are at their wits' end.

So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivereth them out of their distress.

For he maketh the storm to cease : so that the waves thereof are still.

Then are they glad, because they are at rest : and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people : and praise him in the seat of the elders!

Who turneth the floods into a wilderness : and drieth up the water-springs.

A fruitful land maketh he barren : for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water : and water-springs of a dry ground.

And there he setteth the hungry : that they may build them a city to dwell in;

That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards : to yield them fruits of increase.

He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly : and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

And again, when they are minished and brought low : through oppression, through any plague or trouble;

Though he suffer them to be evil intreated through tyrants : and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness;

Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery : and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.

The righteous will consider this, and rejoice : and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

Whoso is wise will ponder these things : and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Collects of Thanksgiving.*

O MOST blessed and glorious Lord God, who art of infinite goodness and mercy: We thy poor creatures, whom thou hast made and preserved, holding our souls in life, and now rescuing us out of the jaws of death, humbly present ourselves again before thy Divine Majesty, to offer a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, for that thou heardest us when we called in our trouble, and didst not cast out our prayer, which we made before thee in our great distress: Even when we gave all for lost, our ship, our goods, our lives, then didst thou mercifully look upon us, and wonderfully command a deliverance; for which we, now being in safety, do give all praise and glory to thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this:*

O MOST mighty and gracious good God, thy mercy is over all thy works, but in special manner hath been extended toward us, whom thou hast so powerfully and wonderfully defended. Thou hast shewed us terrible things, and wonders in the deep, that we might see how powerful and gracious a God thou art; how able and ready to help them that trust in thee. Thou hast shewed us how both winds and seas obey thy command; that

we may learn, even from them, hereafter to obey thy voice, and to do thy will. We therefore bless and glorify thy Name, for this thy mercy in saving us, when we were ready to perish. And, we beseech thee, make us as truly sensible now of thy mercy, as we were then of the danger: and give us hearts always ready to express our thankfulness, not only by words, but also by our lives, in being more obedient to thy holy commandments. Continue, we beseech thee, this thy goodness to us; that we, whom thou hast saved, may serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

¶ *A Hymn of Praise and Thanksgiving after a dangerous Tempest.*

O COME, let us give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; let the redeemed of the Lord say so : whom he hath delivered from the merciless rage of the sea.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion : slow to anger, and of great mercy.

He hath not dealt with us according to our sins : neither rewarded us according to our iniquities.

But as the heaven is high above the earth : so great hath been his mercy towards us.

We found trouble and heaviness : we were even at death's door.

The waters of the sea had well-nigh covered us : the proud waters had well-nigh gone over our soul.

The sea roared : and the stormy wind lifted up the waves thereof.

We were carried up as it were to heaven, and then down again into the deep : our soul melted within us, because of trouble;

Then cried we unto thee, O Lord : and thou didst deliver us out of our distress.

Blessed be thy Name, who didst not despise the prayer of thy servants : but didst hear our cry, and hast saved us.

Thou didst send forth thy commandment : and the windy storm ceased, and was turned into a calm.

O let us therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he hath done, and still doeth, for the children of men.

Praised be the Lord daily : even the Lord that helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation : God is the Lord by whom we have escaped death.

Thou, Lord, hast made us glad through the operation of thy hands : and we will triumph in thy praise.

Blessed be the Lord God : even the Lord God, who only doeth wondrous things;

And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever : and let every one of us say, Amen, Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

2 *Corinthians* 13.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

TO BE USED AT SEA

¶ *After Victory or Deliverance from an Enemy.*

A Psalm or Hymn of Praise and Thanksgiving after Victory.

IF the Lord had not been on our side, now may we say : if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

They had swallowed us up quick : when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.

Yea, the waters had drowned us, and the stream had gone over our soul : the deep waters of the proud had gone over our soul.

But praised be the Lord : who hath not given us over as a prey unto them.

The Lord hath wrought : a mighty salvation for us.

We gat not this by our own sword, neither was it our own arm that saved us : but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto us.

The Lord hath appeared for us : the Lord hath covered our heads, and made us to stand in the day of battle.

The Lord hath appeared for us : the Lord hath overthrown our enemies, and dashed in pieces those that rose up against us.

Therefore not unto us, O Lord, not unto us : but unto thy Name be given the glory.

The Lord hath done great things for us : the Lord hath done great things for us, for which we rejoice.

Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *After this Hymn may be sung the TE DEUM.*

¶ *Then this Collect.*

O ALMIGHTY God, the Sovereign Commander of all the world, in whose hand is power and might which none is able to withstand: We bless and magnify thy great and glorious Name for this happy Victory, the whole glory whereof we do ascribe to thee, who art the only giver of Victory. And, we beseech thee, give us grace to improve this great mercy to thy glory, the advancement of thy Gospel, the honour of our Sovereign, and, as much as in us lieth, to the good of all mankind. And, we beseech thee, give us such a sense of this great mercy, as may engage us to a true thankfulness, such as may appear in our lives by an humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, as for all thy mercies, so in particular for this Victory and Deliverance, be all glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

2 *Corinthians* 13.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

THE FORM AND MANNER OF

MAKING ORDAINING AND CONSECRATING

OF

BISHOPS PRIESTS AND DEACONS

ACCORDING TO THE ORDER OF

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, IN CANADA

THE PREFACE

IT is evident unto all men diligently reading holy Scripture and ancient Authors, that from the Apostles' time there have been these Orders of Ministers in Christ's Church; Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. Which offices were evermore had in such reverend estimation, that no man might presume to execute any of them, except he were first called, tried, examined, and known to have such qualities as are requisite for the same; and also by publick Prayer, with Imposition of Hands, were approved and admitted thereunto by lawful authority. And therefore, to the intent that these Orders may be continued, and reverently used and esteemed, in the Church of England; No man shall be accounted or taken to be a lawful Bishop, Priest, or Deacon in the Church of England, or suffered to execute any of the said functions, except he be called, tried, examined, and admitted thereunto, according to the Form hereafter following, or hath had formerly Episcopal Consecration or Ordination.

And none shall be admitted a Deacon, except he be twenty-three years of age, unless he have a Faculty. And every man which is to be admitted a Priest shall be full four-and-twenty years old. And every man which is to be ordained or consecrated Bishop shall be fully thirty years of age.

And the Bishop, knowing either by himself, or by sufficient testimony, any person to be a man of virtuous conversation, and without crime; and after examination and trial finding him learned in holy Scripture, and sufficiently instructed in the Latin tongue, may at the times appointed in the Canon, or else, on urgent occasion, upon some other Sunday or Holy-day, in the face of the Church, admit him a Deacon, in such manner and form as hereafter followeth.

THE FORM AND MANNER OF

MAKING OF DEACONS

¶ *When the day appointed by the Bishop is come; after Morning Prayer is ended, there shall be a Sermon or Exhortation, declaring the duty and office of such as come to be admitted Deacons; how necessary that Order is in the Church of Christ; and also how the people ought to esteem them in their office.*

¶ *First, the Archdeacon, or his Deputy, shall present unto the Bishop (sitting in his Chair, near to the holy Table) such as desire to be ordained Deacons, (each of them being decently habited,) saying these words,*

REVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons present, to be admitted Deacons.

¶ *The Bishop.*

TAKE heed that the persons, whom ye present unto us, be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ *The Archdeacon shall answer,*

I HAVE enquired of them, and also examined them; and think them so to be.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say unto the people:*

BRETHREN, if there be any of you who knoweth any impediment or notable crime in any of these persons presented to be ordered Deacons, for the which he ought not to be admitted to that office; Let him come forth in the Name of God, and shew what the crime or impediment is.

¶ *And if any great crime or impediment be objected, the Bishop shall surcease from ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found clear of that crime.*

¶ *Then the Bishop (commending such as shall be found meet to be ordered to the prayers of the Congregation) shall, with the Clergy and people present, sing or say the Litany, with the Prayers, as followeth.*

The Litany and Suffrages.

O GOD the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from fire and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God: and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy Servant *GEORGE*, our most gracious King and Governor,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to rule his heart in thy faith, fear, and love, and that he may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be his defender and keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth and shew it accordingly,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless these thy servants, now to be admitted to the Order of Deacons, [*or* Priests,] and to pour thy grace upon them; that they may duly execute their office, to the edifying of thy Church, and the glory of thy holy Name,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to send forth labourers into thy harvest; to make thy saving health known unto all nations; and to hasten thy kingdom,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the Governor-General of this Dominion, and the Lieutenant-Governors of the Provinces, with grace, wisdom, and understanding,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless the Parliaments of the Empire, and to direct their consultations to the honour of thy Name and the welfare of thy people,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep the King's forces by sea, and land, and air, and to shield them in all dangers and adversities,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and protect all who serve mankind by learning, labour, and industry,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall;

and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God : we beseech thee to hear us.

Son of God : we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, and the people with him, say the Lord's Prayer.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest. O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

Answer. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

Let us pray.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful: Mercifully assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, be brought to nought, and by the providence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may

evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

O GOD, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

Priest. O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us;

Answer. As we do put our trust in thee.

Let us pray.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in

holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Service for the Communion, with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as followeth.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church, and didst inspire thine Apostles to choose into the Order of Deacons the first Martyr Saint Stephen, with others: Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the like office and administration; replenish them so with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Tim. 3. 8.

LIKEWISE must the deacons be grave, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre; holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless. Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things. Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

¶ *Or else this, out of the sixth of the Acts of the Apostles.*

Acts 6. 2.

THEN the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

¶ *And before the Gospel, the Bishop, sitting in his Chair, shall examine every one of them that are to be ordered, in the presence of the people, after this manner following.*

DO you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you this office and ministration, to serve God, for the promoting of his glory, and the edifying of his people?

Answer. I trust so.

The Bishop.

DO you think that you are truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the due order of this Realm, to the Ministry of the Church?

Answer. I think so.

The Bishop.

DO you believe the holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation?

Answer. I do so believe.

The Bishop.

WILL you diligently read the same unto the people assembled in the Church where you shall be appointed to serve?

Answer. I will.

The Bishop.

IT appertaineth to the office of a Deacon, in the Church where he shall be appointed to serve, to assist the Priest in Divine Service, and specially when he ministereth the holy Communion, and to help him in the distribution thereof, and to read holy Scriptures and Homilies in the Church; and to instruct the youth in the Catechism; in the absence of the Priest to baptize infants; and to preach, if he be admitted thereto by the Bishop. And furthermore, it is his office, where provision is so made, to search for the sick, poor, and impotent people of the Parish, to intimate their estates, names, and places where they dwell, unto the Curate, that by his exhortation they may be relieved with the alms of the Parishioners, or others. Will you do this gladly and willingly?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

The Bishop.

WILL you apply all your diligence to frame and fashion your own lives, and the lives of your families, according to the doctrine of Christ; and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples of the flock of Christ?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you reverently obey your Ordinary, and other chief Ministers of the Church, and them to whom the charge and government over you is committed, following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions?

Answer. I will endeavour myself, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then the Bishop laying his hands severally upon the head of every one of them, humbly kneeling before him, shall say,*

TAKE thou authority to execute the office of a Deacon in the Church of God committed unto thee; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop deliver to every one of them the New Testament, saying,*

TAKE thou authority to read the Gospel in the Church of God, and to preach the same, if thou be thereto licensed by the Bishop himself.

¶ *Then one of them, appointed by the Bishop, shall read*

THE GOSPEL. St Luke 12. 35.

LET your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately. Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching. Verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop proceed in the Communion: and all that are ordered shall tarry, and receive the holy Communion the same day with the Bishop.*

¶ *The Communion ended, immediately before the Benediction shall be said these Collects following.*

ALMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who of thy great goodness hast vouchsafed to accept and take these thy servants unto the office of Deacons in thy Church: Make them, we beseech thee, O Lord, to be modest, humble, and constant in their ministration; to have a ready will to observe all spiritual discipline; that they having always the testimony of a good conscience, and continuing ever stable and strong in thy Son Christ, may so well behave themselves in this inferior office, that they may be found worthy to be called unto the higher ministries in thy Church; through the same thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and honour world without end. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the

Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *And here it must be declared unto the Deacon, that he must continue in that office of a Deacon the space of a whole year (except for reasonable causes it shall otherwise seem good unto the Bishop) to the intent he may be perfect, and well expert in the things appertaining to the Ecclesiastical Administration. In executing whereof if he be found faithful and diligent, he may be admitted by his Diocesan to the order of Priesthood, at the times appointed in the Canon; or else, on urgent occasion, upon some other Sunday or Holy-day, in the face of the Church, in such manner and form as hereafter followeth.*

THE FORM AND MANNER OF

ORDERING OF PRIESTS

¶ *When the day appointed by the Bishop is come; after Morning Prayer is ended, there shall be a Sermon or Exhortation, declaring the duty and office of such as come to be admitted Priests; how necessary that Order is in the Church of Christ; and also how the people ought to esteem them in their office.*

¶ *First, the Archdeacon, or, in his absence, one appointed in his stead, shall present unto the Bishop (sitting in his Chair, near to the holy Table) all them that shall receive the Order of Priesthood that day; (each of them being decently habited;) and say,*

REVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons present, to be admitted to the Order of Priesthood.

¶ *The Bishop.*

TAKE heed that the persons, whom ye present unto us, be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ *The Archdeacon shall answer,*

I HAVE enquired of them, and also examined them; and think them so to be.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say unto the people:*

GOOD people, these are they whom we purpose, God willing, to receive this day unto the holy office of Priesthood: For after due examination we find not to the contrary, but that they be lawfully called to their function and ministry, and that they be persons meet for the same. But yet if there be any of you, who knoweth any impediment or notable crime in any of them, for the which he ought not to be received into this holy ministry; Let him come forth in the Name of God, and shew what the crime or impediment is.

¶ *And if any great crime or impediment be objected, the Bishop shall surcease from ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found clear of that crime.*

¶ *Then the Bishop (commending such as shall be found meet to be ordered to the prayers of the Congregation) shall, with the Clergy and people present, sing or say the Litany, with the Prayers, as is before appointed in the Form of Ordering Deacons; save only, that, in the proper Suffrage there added, the word* [Deacons] *shall be omitted, and the word* [Priests] *inserted instead of it.*

¶ *Then shall be sung or said the Service for the Communion, with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as followeth.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church: Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the office of Priesthood; and replenish them so with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephes. 4. 7.

UNTO every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelists, and some Pastors and Teachers; for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come, in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

¶ *After this shall be read for the Gospel part of the ninth chapter of Saint Matthew, as followeth.*

St Matth. 9. 36.

WHEN Jesus saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

¶ *Or else this that followeth, out of the tenth chapter of Saint John.*

St John 10. 1.

VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the

sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them, but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one flock, and one shepherd.

¶ *Then the Bishop, sitting in his Chair, shall say unto them as hereafter followeth.*

YOU have heard, brethren, as well in your private examination, as in the exhortation which was now made to you, and in the holy Lessons taken out of the Gospel and the writings of the Apostles, of what dignity and of how great importance this office is, whereunto ye are called. And now again we exhort you, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you have in remembrance, into how high a dignity, and to how weighty an office and charge ye are called: that is to say, to be messengers, watchmen, and stewards of the Lord; to teach and to premonish, to feed and provide for the Lord's family; to seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for his children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

Have always therefore printed in your remembrance, how great a treasure is committed to your charge. For they are the sheep of Christ, which he bought with his death, and for whom he shed his blood. The Church and Congregation whom you must serve, is his spouse and his body. And if it shall happen the same Church, or any member thereof, to take any hurt or hindrance by reason of your negligence, ye know the greatness of the fault, and also the horrible punishment that will ensue. Wherefore consider with yourselves the end of your ministry towards the children of God, towards the spouse and body of Christ; and see that you never cease your labour, your care and diligence, until you have done all that lieth in you, according to your bounden

duty, to bring all such as are or shall be committed to your charge, unto that agreement in the faith and knowledge of God, and to that ripeness and perfectness of age in Christ, that there be no place left among you, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life.

Forasmuch then as your office is both of so great excellency and of so great difficulty, ye see with how great care and study ye ought to apply yourselves, as well that ye may shew yourselves dutiful and thankful unto that Lord, who hath placed you in so high a dignity; as also to beware that neither you yourselves offend, nor be occasion that others offend. Howbeit, ye cannot have a mind and will thereto of yourselves; for that will and ability is given of God alone. Therefore ye ought, and have need, to pray earnestly for his Holy Spirit. And seeing that you cannot by any other means compass the doing of so weighty a work, pertaining to the salvation of man, but with doctrine and exhortation taken out of the holy Scriptures, and with a life agreeable to the same; consider how studious ye ought to be in reading and learning the Scriptures, and in framing the manners both of yourselves, and of them that specially pertain unto you, according to the rule of the same Scriptures: and for this self-same cause, how ye ought to forsake and set aside (as much as you may) all worldly cares and studies.

We have good hope that you have well weighed and pondered these things with yourselves long before this time; and that you have clearly determined, by God's grace, to give yourselves wholly to this office, whereunto it hath pleased God to call you: so that, as much as lieth in you, you will apply yourselves

wholly to this one thing, and draw all your cares and studies this way; and that you will continually pray to God the Father, by the mediation of our only Saviour Jesus Christ, for the heavenly assistance of the Holy Ghost; that, by daily reading and weighing of the Scriptures, ye may wax riper and stronger in your ministry; and that ye may so endeavour yourselves from time to time to sanctify the lives of you and yours, and to fashion them after the rule and doctrine of Christ, that ye may be wholesome and godly examples and patterns for the people to follow.

And now, that this present Congregation of Christ here assembled may also understand your minds and wills in these things, and that this your promise may the more move you to do your duties, ye shall answer plainly to these things, which we, in the Name of God, and of his Church, shall demand of you touching the same.

DO you think in your heart that you be truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Church of England, to the Order and Ministry of Priesthood?

Answer. I think it.

The Bishop.

ARE you persuaded that the holy Scriptures contain sufficiently all doctrine required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined out of the said Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach nothing (as required of necessity to eternal salvation) but that which you shall be

persuaded may be concluded and proved by the Scripture?

Answer. I am so persuaded, and have so determined by God's grace.

The Bishop.

WILL you then give your faithful diligence always so to minister the doctrine and sacraments, and the discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as this Church and Realm hath received the same, according to the commandments of God; so that you may teach the people committed to your cure and charge with all diligence to keep and observe the same?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of the Lord.

The Bishop.

WILL you be ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word; and to use both publick and private monitions and exhortations, as well to the sick as to the whole, within your cures, as need shall require, and occasion shall be given?

Answer. I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you be diligent in prayers, and in reading of the holy Scriptures, and in such studies as help to the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and the flesh?

Answer. I will endeavour myself so to do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you be diligent to frame and fashion your own selves, and your families, according to the doctrine of Christ; and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples and patterns to the flock of Christ?

Answer. I will apply myself thereto, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you maintain and set forwards, as much as lieth in you, quietness, peace, and love, among all Christian people, and specially among them that are or shall be committed to your charge?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

WILL you reverently obey your Ordinary, and other chief Ministers, unto whom is committed the charge and government over you; following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions, and submitting yourselves to their godly judgements?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop, standing up, say,*

ALMIGHTY God, who hath given you this will to do all these things; Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that he may accomplish his work which he hath begun in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *After this, the Congregation shall be desired, secretly in their prayers, to make their humble supplications to God for all these things: for the which prayers there shall be silence kept for a space.*

¶ *After which shall be sung or said by the Bishop (the persons to be ordained Priests all kneeling)* Veni, Creator Spiritus; *the Bishop beginning, and the Priests, and others that are present, answering by verses, as followeth.*

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.
Thy blessed Unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight.
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.
Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but One.
That, through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¶ *Or this:*

COME, Holy Ghost, eternal God, proceeding from above,
Both from the Father and the Son, the God of peace and love;
Visit our minds, into our hearts thy heavenly grace inspire;
That truth and godliness we may pursue with full desire.
Thou art the very Comforter in grief and all distress;
The heav'nly gift of God most high, no tongue can it express;
The fountain and the living spring of joy celestial;

The fire so bright, the love so sweet, the Unction spiritual.

Thou in thy gifts art manifold, by them Christ's Church doth stand:
In faithful hearts thou writ'st thy law, the finger of God's hand.

According to thy promise, Lord, thou givest speech with grace;
That through thy help God's praises may resound in every place.

O Holy Ghost, into our minds send down thy heav'nly light;
Kindle our hearts with fervent zeal to serve God day and night.

Our weakness strengthen and confirm, (for, Lord, thou know'st us frail;)
That neither devil, world, nor flesh, against us may prevail.

Put back our enemy far from us, and help us to obtain
Peace in our hearts with God and man, (the best, the truest gain;)

And grant that thou being, O Lord, our leader and our guide,
We may escape the snares of sin, and never from thee slide.

Such measures of thy powerful grace grant, Lord, to us, we pray;
That thou may'st be our Comforter at the last dreadful day.

Of strife and of dissension dissolve, O Lord, the bands,
And knit the knots of peace and love throughout all Christian lands.

Grant us the grace that we may know the Father of all might,

That we of his beloved Son may gain the blissful sight;

And that we may with perfect faith ever acknowledge thee,

The Spirit of Father, and of Son, One God in Persons Three.

To God the Father laud and praise, and to his blessed Son,

And to the Holy Spirit of grace, co-equal Three in One.

And pray we, that our only Lord would please his Spirit to send

On all that shall profess his Name, from hence to the world's end. Amen.

¶ *That done, the Bishop shall pray in this wise, and say,*

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, who of thine infinite love and goodness towards us hast given to us thy only and most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and the Author of everlasting life; who, after he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, sent abroad into the world his Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Doctors, and Pastors, by whose labour and ministry he gathered together a great flock in all the parts of the world, to set forth the eternal praise of thy holy Name: For these so great benefits of thy eternal goodness, and for that thou hast vouchsafed to call these thy servants here present to the same office and ministry, appointed for the salvation of mankind; we render unto thee most hearty thanks, we praise and worship thee, and we humbly beseech thee, by the same thy blessed Son, to grant

unto all, which either here or elsewhere call upon thy holy Name, that we may continue to shew ourselves thankful unto thee for these and all other thy benefits; and that we may daily increase and go forwards in the knowledge and faith of thee and thy Son, by the Holy Spirit. So that as well by these thy Ministers, as by them over whom they shall be appointed thy Ministers, thy holy Name may be for ever glorified, and thy blessed kingdom enlarged; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *When this prayer is done, the Bishop with the Priests present shall lay their hands severally upon the head of every one that receiveth the Order of Priesthood; the receivers humbly kneeling upon their knees, and the Bishop saying,*

RECEIVE the Holy Ghost for the office and work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands. Whose sins thou dost forgive, they are forgiven; and whose sins thou dost retain, they are retained. And be thou a faithful dispenser of the Word of God, and of his holy Sacraments; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall deliver to every one of them kneeling the Bible into his hand, saying,*

TAKE thou authority to preach the Word of God, and to minister the holy Sacraments in the Congregation, where thou shalt be lawfully appointed thereunto.

¶ *When this is done, the Nicene Creed shall be sung or said; and the Bishop shall after that go on in the Service of the Communion, which all they that receive orders shall take together, and remain in the same place where hands were laid upon them, until such time as they have received the Communion.*

¶ *The Communion being done, immediately before the Benediction shall be said these Collects.*

MOST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send upon these thy servants thy heavenly blessing, that they may be clothed with righteousness, and that thy Word spoken by their mouths may have such success, that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also that we may have grace to hear and receive what they shall deliver out of thy most holy Word, or agreeable to the same, as the means of our salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may seek thy glory, and the increase of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life: through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *And if on the same day the Order of Deacons be given to some, and the Order of Priesthood to others; the Deacons shall be first presented, and then the Priests: and it shall suffice that the Litany be once said for both. The Collects shall both be used; first that for Deacons, then that for Priests. The Epistle shall be Ephes.* 4, 7—13, *as before in this Office. Immediately after which, they that are to be made Deacons shall be examined and ordained, as is above prescribed. Then one of them having read the Gospel (which shall be either out of St Matth.* 9, 36—38, *as before in this Office; or else St Luke* 12, 35—38, *as before in the Form for the Ordering of Deacons,) they that are to be made Priests shall likewise be examined and ordained, as is in this Office before appointed.*

THE FORM OF ORDAINING OR CONSECRATING

OF AN

ARCHBISHOP OR BISHOP

Which is always to be performed upon some Sunday or Holy-day

¶ *When all things are duly prepared in the Church, and set in order; after Morning Prayer is ended, the Archbishop (or some other Bishop appointed) shall begin the Communion Service: in which this shall be*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy holy Apostles many excellent gifts, and didst charge them to feed thy flock: Give grace, we beseech thee, to all Bishops, the Pastors of thy Church, that they may diligently preach thy Word, and duly administer the godly discipline thereof; and grant to the people, that they may obediently follow the same; that all may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *And another Bishop shall read*

THE EPISTLE. 1 Tim. 3. 1.

THIS is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his

children in subjection with all gravity; (for if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of God?) Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover, he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

¶ *Or this.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Acts 20. 17.

FROM Miletus Paul sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the Church. And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons, serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befel me by the lying in wait of the Jews: and how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house, testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befal me there; save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me. But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God. And now behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am

pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel: yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak; and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

¶ *Then another Bishop shall read*

THE GOSPEL. St John 21. 15.

JESUS saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep. He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of

Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

¶ *Or else this.*

St John 20. 19.

THE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

¶ *Or this.*

St Matth. 28. 18.

JESUS came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

¶ *After the Gospel, and the Nicene Creed, and the Sermon are ended, the elected Bishop (vested with his Rochet) shall be presented by two Bishops unto the Archbishop of that province, (or to some other Bishop appointed by lawful commission,) the Archbishop sitting in his Chair, near the holy Table, and the Bishops that present him saying,*

MOST reverend Father in God, we present unto you this godly and well-learned man to be ordained and consecrated Bishop.

¶ *Then shall the Archbishop (or some other Bishop appointed by lawful commission) demand the Certificates canonically required before Consecration, and cause them to be read. And then shall be administered unto him the Oath of due obedience to his Metropolitan, as follows.*

The Oath of due obedience to the Metropolitan.

IN the Name of God, Amen. I *N.* chosen Bishop of the Church and See of *N.* do profess and promise to hold and maintain the Doctrine, Sacraments, and Discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded in his holy Word, and as the Church of England in Canada hath received and set forth the same; and I do promise due obedience to the Metropolitan of *N.* and to his Successors. So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

¶ *This Oath shall not be made at the Consecration of an Archbishop.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop shall move the Congregation present to pray, saying thus to them:*

BRETHREN, it is written in the Gospel of St Luke, that our Saviour Christ continued the whole night in prayer, before he did choose and send forth his twelve Apostles. It is written also in the Acts of the Apostles, that the disciples who were at Antioch did fast and pray, before they laid hands on Paul and Barnabas, and sent them forth. Let us therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ and his Apostles, first fall to prayer,

before we admit and send forth this person presented unto us, to the work whereunto we trust the Holy Ghost hath called him.

¶ *And then shall be said the Litany, as before in the Form of Ordering Deacons, save only that after this place,* That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, *etc. the proper Suffrage there following shall be omitted, and this inserted instead of it;*

THAT it may please thee to bless this our Brother elected, and to send thy grace upon him, that he may duly execute the office whereunto he is called, to the edifying of thy Church, and to the honour, praise and glory of thy Name,

Answer. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

¶ *Then shall be said this prayer following.*

ALMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers orders of Ministers in thy Church: Mercifully behold this thy servant now called to the work and ministry of a Bishop; and replenish him so with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn him with innocency of life, that both by word and deed he may faithfully serve thee in this office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edifying and well-governing of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop, sitting in his Chair, shall say to him that is to be consecrated,*

BROTHER, forasmuch as the holy Scripture and the ancient Canons command that we should not be hasty in laying on hands, and admitting any person to government in the Church of Christ, which he hath

purchased with no less price than the effusion of his own blood: Before I admit you to this administration, I will examine you in certain articles, to the end that the Congregation present may have a trial, and bear witness, how you be minded to behave yourself in the Church of God.

ARE you persuaded that you be truly called to this ministration, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Realm?

Answer. I am so persuaded.

The Archbishop.

ARE you persuaded that the holy Scriptures contain sufficiently all doctrine required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined out of the same holy Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach or maintain nothing as required of necessity to eternal salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the same?

Answer. I am so persuaded and determined, by God's grace.

The Archbishop.

WILL you then faithfully exercise yourself in the same holy Scriptures, and call upon God by prayer, for the true understanding of the same; so as ye may be able by them to teach and exhort with wholesome doctrine, and to withstand and convince the gainsayers?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

BE you ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrine contrary to God's Word; and both privately and openly to call upon and encourage others to the same?

Answer. I am ready, the Lord being my helper.

The Archbishop.

WILL you deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world; that you may shew yourself in all things an example of good works unto others, that the adversary may be ashamed, having nothing to say against you?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Archbishop.

WILL you maintain and set forward (as much as shall lie in you) quietness, peace, and love among all men; and such as be unquiet, disobedient and criminous within your Diocese, correct and punish, according to such authority as ye have by God's Word, and as to you shall be committed by the Ordinance of this Realm?

Answer. I will so do, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

WILL you be faithful in ordaining, sending, or laying hands upon others?

Answer. I will so be, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

WILL you shew yourself gentle, and be merciful for Christ's sake to poor and needy people, and to all strangers destitute of help?

Answer. I will so shew myself, by God's help.

¶ *Then the Archbishop, standing up, shall say,*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hath given you a good will to do all these things; Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that he accomplishing in you the good work which he hath begun, ye may be found perfect and irreprehensible at the latter day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Bishop elect put on the rest of the Episcopal habit; and kneeling down,* Veni, Creator Spiritus, *shall be sung or said over him, the Archbishop beginning, and the Bishops, with others that are present, answering by verses, as followeth.*

COME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.
Thy blessed Unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight.
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.
Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of both, to be but One.
That, through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¶ *Or this:*

COME, Holy Ghost, eternal God, *&c.*

As before in the Form for Ordering Priests.

¶ *That ended, the Archbishop shall say,*

Lord, hear our prayer.
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God and most merciful Father, who of thine infinite goodness hast given thine only and dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and the Author of everlasting life; who, after that he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, poured down his gifts abundantly upon men, making some Apostles, some Prophets, some Evangelists, some Pastors and Doctors, to the edifying and making perfect his Church: Grant, we beseech thee, to this thy servant such grace, that he may evermore be ready to spread abroad thy Gospel, the glad tidings of reconciliation with thee; and use the authority given him, not to destruction, but to salvation; not to hurt, but to help: so that as a wise and faithful servant, giving to thy family their portion in due season, he may at last be received into everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop and Bishops present shall lay their hands upon the head of the elected Bishop kneeling before them upon his knees, the Archbishop saying,*

RECEIVE the Holy Ghost for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. And remember that thou stir up the

grace of God which is given thee by this imposition of our hands: for God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and soberness.

¶ *Then the Archbishop shall deliver him the Bible, saying,*

GIVE heed unto reading, exhortation, and doctrine. Think upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereby may be manifest unto all men. Take heed unto thyself, and to doctrine, and be diligent in doing them: for by so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf; feed them, devour them not. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, seek the lost. Be so merciful, that ye be not too remiss; so minister discipline, that you forget not mercy: that when the chief Shepherd shall appear ye may receive the never-fading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Archbishop shall proceed in the Communion Service; with whom the new consecrated Bishop (with others) shall also communicate.*

¶ *And for the last Collect, immediately before the Benediction, shall be said these prayers.*

MOST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send down upon this thy servant thy heavenly blessing; and so endue him with thy Holy Spirit, that he, preaching thy Word, may not only be earnest to reprove, beseech, and rebuke with all patience and doctrine; but also may be to such as believe a wholesome example, in word, in conversation, in love, in faith, in chastity, and in purity; that, faithfully fulfilling his course, at the latter

day he may receive the crown of righteousness laid up by the Lord the righteous Judge, who liveth and reigneth one God with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

FORMS OF

PRAYER WITH THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD

For use in all Churches and Chapels within this Dominion, every Year, on the Anniversary of the day of the Accession of the Reigning Sovereign, or on such other day as shall be appointed by Authority.

I.

¶ *At Mattins and Evensong the following Psalms, Lessons, Suffrages, and Collects may be used.*

Proper Psalms, 20, 101, 121.

Proper Lessons.

The First, Joshua 1, 1—9, or Proverbs 8, 1—16.
The Second, Rom. 13, 1—10, or Rev. 21, ver. 22 and 22, 1—3.

The Suffrages next after the Creed.

Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
Answer. And grant us thy salvation.
Priest. O Lord, save the King;
Answer. Who putteth his trust in thee.
Priest. Send him help from thy holy place.
Answer. And evermore mightily defend him.
Priest. Be unto him, O Lord, a strong tower;
Answer. From the face of his enemies.
Priest. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.
Priest. O Lord, save thy people.
Answer. And bless thine inheritance.

Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

¶ *After the first Collect, at Morning or Evening Prayer, the following Collect.*

O GOD, who providest for thy people by thy power, and rulest over them in love: Vouchsafe so to bless thy Servant our King, that under him this nation may be wisely governed, and thy Church may serve thee in all godly quietness; and grant that he being devoted to thee with his whole heart, and persevering in good works unto the end, may, by thy guidance, come to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *If the Litany be sung or said, these prayers immediately after the Prayer,* We humbly beseech thee *etc.: and if the Litany be not said, then these prayers instead of the prayers for the King and for the Royal Family at Mattins or Evensong.*

O LORD our God, who upholdest and governest all things by the word of thy power: Receive our humble prayers for our Sovereign Lord *GEORGE, as on this day,* set over us by thy grace and providence to be our King; and, together with him, bless, we beseech thee, our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family; that they, ever trusting in thy goodness, protected by thy power, and crowned with thy gracious and endless favour, may long continue before thee in peace and safety, joy and honour, and after death may

obtain everlasting life and glory, by the merits and mediation of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who rulest over all the kingdoms of the world, and dost order them according to thy good pleasure: We yield thee unfeigned thanks, for that thou wast pleased, *as on this day*, to set thy Servant our Sovereign Lord, King *GEORGE*, upon the Throne of this Realm. Let thy wisdom be his guide, and let thine arm strengthen him; let truth and justice, holiness and righteousness, peace and charity, abound in his days; direct all his counsels and endeavours to thy glory, and the welfare of his subjects; give us grace to obey him cheerfully for conscience sake, and let him always possess the hearts of his people; let his reign be long and prosperous, and crown him with everlasting life in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Unity.

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that, as there is but one Body, and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all; so we may henceforth be all of one heart, and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and

peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

II.

THE COMMUNION.

¶ *In the Order of the Administration of holy Communion, in place of the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel of the day, shall be said the following.*

THE COLLECT.

O GOD, who providest for thy people by thy power, and rulest over them in love: Vouchsafe so to bless thy Servant our King, that under him this nation may be wisely governed, and thy Church may serve thee in all godly quietness; and grant that he being devoted to thee with his whole heart, and persevering in good works unto the end, may, by thy guidance, come to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. 1 St Peter 2. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles; that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake; whether it be to the king, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him, for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise

of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well-doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness; but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king.

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 22. 16.

AND they sent out unto him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? shew me the tribute-money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

¶ *If this day should fall on a Sunday or other Holy-day, the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel of the day shall be used, and the Collect,* O God, who providest *etc. shall be said after the Collect of the day.*

III.

¶ *The following Service may also be used on the same day at any convenient time.*

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS.

WE praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud : the heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty;

Thine honourable, true : and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

THOU art the King of glory : O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.

O LORD, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

¶ *Then the Priest shall say,*

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ *Then the Priest standing up shall say,*

O Lord, save the King;

Answer. Who putteth his trust in thee.

Priest. Send him help from thy holy place.

Answer. And evermore mightily defend him.

Priest. Let his enemies have no advantage of him.

Answer. Nor the wicked approach to hurt him.

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall follow the four Collects, pages* 650—652, *beginning* O God, who providest; O Lord our God; Almighty God, who rulest; O God, the Father.

¶ *After which shall follow:*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking: We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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ARTICLES

AGREED UPON BY THE

ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS

OF BOTH PROVINCES

AND THE WHOLE CLERGY

IN THE

CONVOCATION

HOLDEN AT *LONDON* IN THE YEAR 1562

FOR THE AVOIDING OF DIVERSITIES OF OPINIONS
AND FOR THE ESTABLISHING OF CONSENT
TOUCHING TRUE RELIGION

REPRINTED BY HIS MAJESTY'S COMMANDMENT WITH
HIS ROYAL DECLARATION PREFIXED THEREUNTO

HIS MAJESTY'S DECLARATION.

BEING by God's Ordinance, according to Our just Title, Defender of the Faith, and Supreme Governor of the Church, within these Our Dominions, We hold it most agreeable to this Our Kingly Office, and Our own religious Zeal, to conserve and maintain the Church committed to Our Charge, in Unity of true Religion, and in the Bond of Peace; and not to suffer unnecessary Disputations, Altercations, or Questions to be raised, which may nourish Faction both in the Church and Commonwealth. We have therefore, upon mature Deliberation, and with the Advice of so many of Our Bishops as might conveniently be called together, thought fit to make this Declaration following:

That the Articles of the Church of England (which have been allowed and authorized heretofore, and which Our Clergy generally have subscribed unto) do contain the true Doctrine of the Church of England agreeable to God's Word: which We do therefore ratify and confirm, requiring all Our loving Subjects to continue in the uniform Profession thereof, and prohibiting the least difference from the said Articles; which to that End We command to be new printed, and this Our Declaration to be published therewith.

That We are Supreme Governor of the Church of England: And that if any difference arise about the external Policy, concerning the Injunctions, Canons, and other Constitutions whatsoever thereto belonging, the Clergy in their Convocation is to order and settle them, having first obtained leave under Our Broad Seal so to do: and We approving their said Ordinances and Constitutions; providing that none be made contrary to the Laws and Customs of the Land.

That out of Our Princely Care that the Churchmen may do the Work which is proper unto them, the Bishops and Clergy, from time to time in Convocation, upon their humble Desire, shall have Licence under Our Broad Seal to deliberate of, and to do all such Things, as, being made plain by them, and assented unto by Us, shall concern the settled Continuance of the Doctrine and Discipline of the Church of England now established; from which We will not endure any varying or departing in the least Degree.

That for the present, though some differences have been ill raised, yet We take comfort in this, that all Clergymen within Our Realm have always most willingly subscribed to the Articles established; which is an argument to Us, that they all agree in the true, usual, literal meaning of the said Articles; and that even in those curious points, in which the present differences lie, men of all sorts take the Articles of the Church of England to be for them; which is an argument again, that none of them intend any desertion of the Articles established.

That therefore in these both curious and unhappy differences, which have for so many hundred years, in different times and places, exercised the Church of Christ, We will, that all further curious search be laid aside, and these disputes shut up in God's promises, as they be generally set forth to us in the holy Scriptures, and the general meaning of the Articles of the Church of England according to them. And that no man hereafter shall either print, or preach, to draw the Article aside any way, but shall submit to it in the plain and full meaning thereof: and shall not put his own sense or comment to be the meaning of the Article, but shall take it in the literal and grammatical sense.

That if any publick Reader in either of Our Universities, or any Head or Master of a College, or any other person respectively in either of them, shall affix any new sense to any Article, or shall publickly read, determine, or hold any publick Disputation, or suffer any such to be held either way, in either the Universities or Colleges respectively; or if any Divine in the Universities shall preach or print any thing either way, other than is already established in Convocation with Our Royal Assent; he, or they the Offenders, shall be liable to Our displeasure, and the Church's censure in Our Commission Ecclesiastical, as well as any other: And We will see there shall be due Execution upon them.

ARTICLES OF RELIGION

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The Ratification.

I. *Of Faith in the Holy Trinity.*

THERE is but one living and true God, everlasting, without body, parts, or passions; of infinite power, wisdom, and goodness; the Maker, and Preserver of all things both visible and invisible. And in unity of this Godhead there be three Persons, of one substance, power, and eternity; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

II. *Of the Word or Son of God, which was made very Man.*

THE Son, which is the Word of the Father, begotten from everlasting of the Father, the very and eternal God, and of one substance with the Father, took Man's nature in the womb of the blessed Virgin, of her substance: so that two whole and perfect Natures,

that is to say, the Godhead and Manhood, were joined together in one Person, never to be divided, whereof is one Christ, very God, and very Man; who truly suffered, was crucified, dead and buried, to reconcile his Father to us, and to be a sacrifice, not only for original guilt, but also for all actual sins of men.

III. *Of the going down of Christ into Hell.*

AS Christ died for us, and was buried, so also is it to be believed, that he went down into Hell.

IV. *Of the Resurrection of Christ.*

CHRIST did truly rise again from death, and took again his body, with flesh, bones, and all things appertaining to the perfection of Man's nature; wherewith he ascended into Heaven, and there sitteth, until he return to judge all Men at the last day.

V. *Of the Holy Ghost.*

THE Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God.

VI. *Of the Sufficiency of the holy Scriptures for salvation.*

HOLY Scripture containeth all things necessary to salvation: so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man, that it should be believed as an article of the Faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation. In the name of the holy Scripture we do understand those Canonical Books of the Old

and New Testament, of whose authority was never any doubt in the Church.

Of the Names and Number of the Canonical Books.

Genesis,
Exodus,
Leviticus,
Numbers,
Deuteronomy,
Joshua,
Judges,
Ruth,
The First Book of Samuel,
The Second Book of Samuel,
The First Book of Kings,
The Second Book of Kings,
The First Book of Chronicles,
The Second Book of Chronicles,
The First Book of Esdras,
The Second Book of Esdras,
The Book of Esther,
The Book of Job,
The Psalms,
The Proverbs,
Ecclesiastes or Preacher,
Cantica, or Songs of Solomon,
Four Prophets the greater,
Twelve Prophets the less.

And the other Books (as *Hierome* saith) the Church doth read for example of life and instruction of manners; but yet doth it not apply them to establish any doctrine; such are these following:

The Third Book of Esdras,
The Fourth Book of Esdras,
The Book of Tobias,
The Book of Judith,
The rest of the Book of Esther,
The Book of Wisdom,
Jesus the Son of Sirach,
Baruch the Prophet,
The Song of the Three Children,
The Story of Susanna,
Of Bel and the Dragon,
The Prayer of Manasses,
The First Book of Maccabees,
The Second Book of Maccabees.

All the Books of the New Testament, as they are commonly received, we do receive, and account them Canonical.

VII. *Of the Old Testament.*

THE Old Testament is not contrary to the New: for both in the Old and New Testament everlasting life is offered to Mankind by Christ, who is the only Mediator between God and Man, being both God and Man. Where-

fore they are not to be heard, which feign that the old Fathers did look only for transitory promises. Although the Law given from God by Moses, as touching Ceremonies and Rites, do not bind Christian men, nor the Civil precepts thereof ought of necessity to be received in any commonwealth; yet notwithstanding, no Christian man whatsoever is free from the obedience of the Commandments which are called Moral.

VIII. *Of the Three Creeds.*

THE Three Creeds, *Nicene* Creed, *Athanasius's* Creed, and that which is commonly called the *Apostles'* Creed, ought thoroughly to be received and believed: for they may be proved by most certain warrants of holy Scripture.

IX. *Of Original or Birth-sin.*

ORIGINAL Sin standeth not in the following of *Adam*, (as the *Pelagians* do vainly talk;) but it is the fault and corruption of the Nature of every man, that naturally is ingendered of the offspring of *Adam;* whereby man is very far gone from original righteousness, and is of his own nature inclined to evil, so that the flesh lusteth always contrary to the spirit; and therefore in every person born into this world, it deserveth God's wrath and damnation. And this infection of nature doth remain, yea in them that are regenerated; whereby the lust of the flesh, called in the Greek, Φρόνημα σαρκός, which some do expound the wisdom, some sensuality, some the affection, some the desire, of the flesh, is not subject to the Law of God. And although there

is no condemnation for them that believe and are baptized, yet the Apostle doth confess, that concupiscence and lust hath of itself the nature of sin.

X. *Of Free-Will.*

THE condition of Man after the fall of *Adam* is such, that he cannot turn and prepare himself, by his own natural strength and good works, to faith, and calling upon God: Wherefore we have no power to do good works pleasant and acceptable to God, without the grace of God by Christ preventing us, that we may have a good will, and working with us, when we have that good will.

XI. *Of the Justification of Man.*

WE are accounted righteous before God, only for the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by Faith, and not for our own works or deservings: Wherefore, that we are justified by Faith only is a most wholesome Doctrine, and very full of comfort, as more largely is expressed in the Homily of Justification.

XII. *Of Good Works.*

ALBEIT that Good Works, which are the fruits of Faith, and follow after Justification, cannot put away our sins, and endure the severity of God's Judgement; yet are they pleasing and acceptable to God in Christ, and do spring out necessarily of a true and lively Faith; insomuch that by them a lively Faith may be as evidently known as a tree discerned by the fruit.

XIII. *Of Works before Justification.*

WORKS done before the grace of Christ, and the Inspiration of his Spirit, are not pleasant to God, forasmuch as they spring not of faith in Jesus Christ, neither do they make men meet to receive grace, or (as the School-authors say) deserve grace of congruity: yea rather, for that they are not done as God hath willed and commanded them to be done, we doubt not but they have the nature of sin.

XIV. *Of Works of Supererogation.*

VOLUNTARY Works besides, over and above, God's Commandments, which they call Works of Supererogation, cannot be taught without arrogancy and impiety: for by them men do declare, that they do not only render unto God as much as they are bound to do, but that they do more for his sake, than of bounden duty is required: whereas Christ saith plainly, When ye have done all that are commanded to you, say, We are unprofitable servants.

XV. *Of Christ alone without Sin.*

CHRIST in the truth of our nature was made like unto us in all things, sin only except, from which he was clearly void, both in his flesh, and in his spirit. He came to be the Lamb without spot, who, by sacrifice of himself once made, should take away the sins of the world, and sin, as Saint *John* saith, was not in him. But all we the rest, although baptized, and born again in Christ, yet offend in many things; and if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

XVI. *Of Sin after Baptism.*

NOT every deadly sin willingly committed after Baptism is sin against the Holy Ghost, and unpardonable. Wherefore the grant of repentance is not to be denied to such as fall into sin after Baptism. After we have received the Holy Ghost, we may depart from grace given, and fall into sin, and by the grace of God we may arise again, and amend our lives. And therefore they are to be condemned, which say, they can no more sin as long as they live here, or deny the place of forgiveness to such as truly repent.

XVII. *Of Predestination and Election.*

PREDESTINATION to Life is the everlasting purpose of God, whereby (before the foundations of the world were laid) he hath constantly decreed by his counsel secret to us, to deliver from curse and damnation those whom he hath chosen in Christ out of mankind, and to bring them by Christ to everlasting salvation, as vessels made to honour. Wherefore, they which be endued with so excellent a benefit of God be called according to God's purpose by his Spirit working in due season: they through Grace obey the calling: they be justified freely: they be made sons of God by adoption: they be made like the image of his only-begotten Son Jesus Christ: they walk religiously in good works, and at length, by God's mercy, they attain to everlasting felicity.

As the godly consideration of Predestination, and our Election in Christ, is full of sweet, pleasant, and unspeakable comfort to godly persons, and such as feel in themselves the working of the Spirit of Christ, mortifying the

works of the flesh, and their earthly members, and drawing up their mind to high and heavenly things, as well because it doth greatly establish and confirm their faith of eternal Salvation to be enjoyed through Christ, as because it doth fervently kindle their love towards God: So, for curious and carnal persons, lacking the Spirit of Christ, to have continually before their eyes the sentence of God's Predestination, is a most dangerous downfal, whereby the Devil doth thrust them either into desperation, or into wretchlessness of most unclean living, no less perilous than desperation.

Furthermore, we must receive God's promises in such wise, as they be generally set forth to us in holy Scripture: and, in our doings, that Will of God is to be followed, which we have expressly declared unto us in the Word of God.

XVIII. *Of obtaining eternal Salvation only by the Name of Christ.*

THEY also are to be had accursed that presume to say, That every man shall be saved by the Law or Sect which he professeth, so that he be diligent to frame his life according to that Law, and the light of Nature. For holy Scripture doth set out unto us only the Name of Jesus Christ, whereby men must be saved.

XIX. *Of the Church.*

THE visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men, in the which the pure Word of God is preached, and the Sacraments be duly ministered according to Christ's ordinance in all those things that of necessity are requisite to the same.

As the Church of *Jerusalem*, *Alexandria*, and *Antioch*, have erred; so also the Church of *Rome* hath erred, not only in their living and manner of Ceremonies, but also in matters of Faith.

XX. *Of the Authority of the Church.*

THE Church hath power to decree Rites or Ceremonies, and authority in Controversies of Faith: And yet it is not lawful for the Church to ordain any thing that is contrary to God's Word written, neither may it so expound one place of Scripture, that it be repugnant to another. Wherefore, although the Church be a witness and a keeper of holy Writ, yet, as it ought not to decree any thing against the same, so besides the same ought it not to enforce any thing to be believed for necessity of Salvation.

XXI. *Of the Authority of General Councils.*

GENERAL Councils may not be gathered together without the commandment and will of Princes. And when they be gathered together, (forasmuch as they be an assembly of men, whereof all be not governed with the Spirit and Word of God,) they may err, and sometimes have erred, even in things pertaining unto God. Wherefore things ordained by them as necessary to salvation have neither strength nor authority, unless it may be declared that they be taken out of holy Scripture.

XXII. *Of Purgatory.*

THE Romish Doctrine concerning Purgatory, Pardons, Worshipping and Adoration, as well of Images as of Reliques, and also invocation of Saints, is a fond thing

vainly invented, and grounded upon no warranty of Scripture, but rather repugnant to the Word of God.

XXIII. *Of Ministering in the Congregation.*

IT is not lawful for any man to take upon him the office of publick preaching, or ministering the Sacraments in the Congregation, before he be lawfully called, and sent to execute the same. And those we ought to judge lawfully called and sent, which be chosen and called to this work by men who have publick authority given unto them in the Congregation, to call and send Ministers into the Lord's vineyard.

XXIV. *Of speaking in the Congregation in such a tongue as the people understandeth.*

IT is a thing plainly repugnant to the Word of God, and the custom of the Primitive Church, to have publick Prayer in the Church, or to minister the Sacraments in a tongue not understanded of the people.

XXV. *Of the Sacraments.*

SACRAMENTS ordained of Christ be not only badges or tokens of Christian men's profession, but rather they be certain sure witnesses, and effectual signs of grace, and God's good will towards us, by the which he doth work invisibly in us, and doth not only quicken, but also strengthen and confirm our Faith in him.

There are two Sacraments ordained of Christ our Lord in the Gospel, that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Those five commonly called Sacraments, that is to say, Confirmation, Penance, Orders, Matrimony, and extreme Unction, are not to be counted for Sacraments of the Gospel, being such as have grown partly of the corrupt following of the Apostles, partly are states of life allowed in the Scriptures; but yet have not like nature of Sacraments with Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, for that they have not any visible sign or ceremony ordained of God.

The Sacraments were not ordained of Christ to be gazed upon, or to be carried about, but that we should duly use them. And in such only as worthily receive the same they have a wholesome effect or operation: but they that receive them unworthily purchase to themselves damnation, as Saint *Paul* saith.

XXVI. *Of the Unworthiness of the Ministers, which hinders not the effect of the Sacrament.*

ALTHOUGH in the visible Church the evil be ever mingled with the good, and sometimes the evil have chief authority in the Ministration of the Word and Sacraments, yet forasmuch as they do not the same in their own name, but in Christ's, and do minister by his commission and authority, we may use their Ministry, both in hearing the Word of God, and in receiving of the Sacraments. Neither is the effect of Christ's ordinance taken away by their wickedness, nor the grace of God's gifts diminished from such as by faith and rightly do receive the Sacraments ministered unto them; which be effectual, because of Christ's institution and promise, although they be ministered by evil men.

Nevertheless, it appertaineth to the discipline of the Church, that inquiry be made of evil Ministers, and that they be accused by those that have knowledge of their offences; and finally being found guilty, by just judgement be deposed.

XXVII. *Of Baptism.*

BAPTISM is not only a sign of profession, and mark of difference, whereby Christian men are discerned from others that be not christened, but it is also a sign of Regeneration or new Birth, whereby, as by an instrument, they that receive Baptism rightly are grafted into the Church; the promises of forgiveness of sin, and of our adoption to be the sons of God by the Holy Ghost, are visibly signed and sealed; Faith is confirmed, and Grace increased by virtue of prayer unto God. The Baptism of young Children is in any wise to be retained in the Church, as most agreeable with the institution of Christ.

XXVIII. *Of the Lord's Supper.*

THE Supper of the Lord is not only a sign of the love that Christians ought to have among themselves one to another; but rather is a Sacrament of our Redemption by Christ's death: insomuch that to such as rightly, worthily, and with faith, receive the same, the Bread which we break is a partaking of the Body of Christ; and likewise the Cup of Blessing is a partaking of the Blood of Christ.

Transubstantiation (or the change of the substance of Bread and Wine) in the Supper of the Lord, cannot be proved by holy Writ; but is repugnant to the plain words of Scripture, overthroweth the nature of a Sacrament, and hath given occasion to many superstitions.

The Body of Christ is given, taken, and eaten, in the Supper, only after an heavenly and spiritual manner. And the mean whereby the Body of Christ is received and eaten in the Supper is Faith.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was not by Christ's ordinance reserved, carried about, lifted up, or worshipped.

XXIX. *Of the Wicked which eat not the Body of Christ in the use of the Lord's Supper.*

THE Wicked, and such as be void of a lively faith, although they do carnally and visibly press with their teeth (as Saint *Augustine* saith) the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, yet in no wise are they partakers of Christ: but rather, to their condemnation, do eat and drink the sign or Sacrament of so great a thing.

XXX. *Of both kinds.*

THE Cup of the Lord is not to be denied to the Lay-people: for both the parts of the Lord's Sacrament, by Christ's ordinance and commandment, ought to be ministered to all Christian men alike.

XXXI. *Of the one Oblation of Christ finished upon the Cross.*

THE Offering of Christ once made is that perfect redemption, propitiation, and satisfaction, for all the sins of the whole world, both original and actual; and there is none other satisfaction for sin, but that alone. Wherefore the sacrifices of Masses, in the which it was commonly said, that the Priest did offer Christ for the quick and the dead, to have remission of pain or guilt, were blasphemous fables, and dangerous deceits.

XXXII. *Of the Marriage of Priests.*

BISHOPS, Priests, and Deacons, are not commanded by God's Law, either to vow the estate of single life, or to abstain from marriage: therefore it is lawful for them, as for all other Christian men, to marry at their own discretion, as they shall judge the same to serve better to godliness.

XXXIII. *Of excommunicate Persons, how they are to be avoided.*

THAT person which by open denunciation of the Church is rightly cut off from the unity of the Church, and excommunicated, ought to be taken of the whole multitude of the faithful, as an Heathen and Publican, until he be openly reconciled by penance, and received into the Church by a Judge that hath authority thereunto.

XXXIV. *Of the Traditions of the Church.*

IT is not necessary that Traditions and Ceremonies be in all places one, and utterly like; for at all times they have been divers, and may be changed according to the diversities of countries, times, and men's manners, so that nothing be ordained against God's Word. Whosoever through his private judgement, willingly and purposely, doth openly break the traditions and ceremonies of the Church, which be not repugnant to the Word of God, and be ordained and approved by common authority, ought to be rebuked openly, (that others may fear to do the like,) as he that offendeth against the common order of the Church, and hurteth the authority of the

Magistrate, and woundeth the consciences of the weak brethren.

Every particular or national Church hath authority to ordain, change, and abolish, ceremonies or rites of the Church ordained only by man's authority, so that all things be done to edifying.

XXXV. *Of the Homilies.*

THE second Book of Homilies, the several titles whereof we have joined under this Article, doth contain a godly and wholesome Doctrine, and necessary for these times, as doth the former Book of Homilies, which were set forth in the time of *Edward* the Sixth; and therefore we judge them to be read in Churches by the Ministers, diligently and distinctly, that they may be understanded of the people.

Of the Names of the Homilies.

1 Of the right Use of the Church.
2 Against peril of Idolatry.
3 Of repairing and keeping clean of Churches.
4 Of good Works: first of Fasting.
5 Against Gluttony and Drunkenness.
6 Against Excess of Apparel.
7 Of Prayer.
8 Of the Place and Time of Prayer.
9 That Common Prayers and Sacraments ought to be ministered in a known tongue.
10 Of the reverend estimation of God's Word.
11 Of Alms-doing.
12 Of the Nativity of Christ.
13 Of the Passion of Christ.
14 Of the Resurrection of Christ.
15 Of the worthy receiving of the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.
16 Of the Gifts of the Holy Ghost.
17 For the Rogation-days.
18 Of the State of Matrimony.
19 Of Repentance.
20 Against Idleness.
21 Against Rebellion.

XXXVI. *Of Consecration of Bishops and Ministers.*

THE Book of Consecration of Archbishops and Bishops, and Ordering of Priests and Deacons, lately set forth in the time of *Edward* the Sixth, and confirmed at the same time by authority of Parliament, doth contain all things necessary to such Consecration and Ordering: neither hath it any thing, that of itself is superstitious and ungodly. And therefore whosoever are consecrated or ordered according to the Rites of that Book, since the second year of the forenamed King *Edward* unto this time, or hereafter shall be consecrated or ordered according to the same Rites; we decree all such to be rightly, orderly, and lawfully consecrated and ordered.

XXXVII. *Of the Civil Magistrates.*

THE King's Majesty hath the chief power in this Realm of *England*, and other his Dominions, unto whom the chief Government of all Estates of this Realm, whether they be Ecclesiastical or Civil, in all causes doth appertain, and is not, nor ought to be, subject to any foreign Jurisdiction.

Where we attribute to the King's Majesty the chief government, by which Titles we understand the minds of some slanderous folks to be offended; we give not to our Princes the ministering either of God's Word, or of the Sacraments, the which thing the Injunctions also lately set forth by *Elizabeth* our Queen do most plainly testify; but that only prerogative, which we see to have been given always to all godly Princes in holy Scriptures by God himself; that is, that they should rule all estates and degrees committed to their charge by God, whether they be Ecclesiastical

or Temporal, and restrain with the civil sword the stubborn and evildoers.

The Bishop of *Rome* hath no jurisdiction in this Realm of *England*.

The Laws of the Realm may punish Christian men with death, for heinous and grievous offences.

It is lawful for Christian men, at the commandment of the Magistrate, to wear weapons, and serve in the wars.

XXXVIII. *Of Christian men's Goods, which are not common.*

THE Riches and Goods of Christians are not common, as touching the right, title, and possession of the same, as certain Anabaptists do falsely boast. Notwithstanding, every man ought, of such things as he possesseth, liberally to give alms to the poor, according to his ability.

XXXIX. *Of a Christian man's Oath.*

AS we confess that vain and rash Swearing is forbidden Christian men by our Lord Jesus Christ, and *James* his Apostle, so we judge, that Christian Religion doth not prohibit, but that a man may swear when the Magistrate requireth, in a cause of faith and charity, so it be done according to the Prophet's teaching, in justice, judgement, and truth.

THE RATIFICATION.

THIS Book of Articles before rehearsed, is again approved, and allowed to be holden and executed within the Realm, by the assent and consent of our Sovereign Lady ELIZABETH, by the grace of God, of England, France, and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c. Which Articles were deliberately read, and confirmed again by the subscription of the hands of the Archbishop and Bishops of the Upper-house, and by the subscription of the whole Clergy of the Nether-house in their Convocation, in the Year of our Lord 1571.

THE FORM OF SERVICE

FOR

DOMINION DAY AND OTHER OCCASIONS

OF NATIONAL THANKSGIVING

Proper Psalms.

Morning Prayer: Psalm 72.
Evening Prayer: Psalms 46, 150.

Special Lessons.

Morning Prayer. First Lesson: Deut. 8; *or Josh.* 24, 14—25.
Second Lesson: 1 *Tim.* 2, 1—8; *or St Matth.* 25, 14—30.

Evening Prayer. First Lesson: Deut. 6, 1—15; *or* 28, 1—14
Second Lesson: Rom. 13, 1—10.

¶ *The Collect of the day shall be that appointed for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity.*

The Epistle: 1 *Peter* 2, 1—16.
The Gospel: St Matth. 22, 16—21.

¶ *After the Third Collect the Order shall be as follows:*

PRAYERS

¶ *The State Prayer beginning* O Lord God Almighty, *page* 1[illegible].

¶ *For the People of the Dominion.*

ALMIGHTY God, who didst lead our fathers into this land, and set their feet in a large room: Give thy grace, we beseech thee, to us their children, that we may approve ourselves a people mindful of thy favour, and glad to do thy will. Bless our Dominion with honourable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from lawlessness and discord, pride and arrogance, and fashion into one godly people the multitude brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Give to all the spirit of service, and love, and mutual forbearance. In prosperity make us thankful unto thee, and in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in thee to fail. So that, loving thee above all things, we may fulfil thy gracious purpose in this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SERVICE FOR DOMINION DAY

THANKSGIVINGS

¶ *For our Goodly Heritage.*

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, who in thy wisdom dost divide to the nations their inheritance: We yield thee hearty thanks for thy loving kindness in appointing this good land to be our dwelling place among the children of men; for the wealth and glory of its plains and mountains, its fruitful fields and teeming waters; for the precious things of heaven, the dew, the sunshine, snow and rain in their season, and the precious things of the earth and the fulness thereof; for a land wherein there is bread without scarceness. For all this, and the opportunities thus vouchsafed to us, we bless thee and magnify thy Name. And, we pray thee, grant us grace so to sanctify thee in our heritage that the world may know that thou art our God for ever and ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Confederation.*

O GOD, the fountain of all wisdom, we bless and praise thy holy Name that thou didst move our rulers and statesmen to bring together under one government the scattered communities of our Empire on this continent, and to unite them into one Dominion from sea to sea; and we humbly beseech thee to give us grace so to serve thee that the heritage received from our fathers may be preserved in our time, and handed down unimpaired to our children; and grant that from generation to generation we may remain a people united and loyal to the Throne and Empire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For God's General Blessings.*

O LORD God Almighty, Supreme Ruler of Nations, without whom no people can be great: We thank thee for the progress and prosperity vouchsafed to this Dominion, and for the countless blessings, temporal and spiritual, bestowed upon its people. Make us, we beseech thee, more sensible of thy goodness, and of our responsibility as stewards of thy gifts; and grant us such virtue and true religion that by our works, and by our lives, thy holy Name may be for ever glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For the Empire.*

O LORD God of Hosts, who dost order all the kingdoms of the world according to thy good pleasure: We give thee humble thanks for thy favour and goodness to our Motherland and all the whole Empire; for upholding us with thy mighty arm in all the ways by which from age to age thou hast led us; for granting unto us opportunities of service in many lands; and enabling us to extend thy kingdom amongst peoples that have not known thee, even unto the uttermost part of the earth. And we beseech thee to continue thy loving kindness to us that, united, free, and mindful of our stewardship, we may through thy grace so fulfil thy purpose, that our Empire may be a witness to thee among the kingdoms of the world, to the advancement of thy glory, and the good of all mankind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *At the discretion of the Minister, the General Thanksgiving may be used.*

¶ *Then shall follow the Prayer of St Chrysostom, and* The grace of our Lord *etc.*

AN ORDER OF
SERVICE FOR CHILDREN

¶ *The Minister may, at his discretion, begin the Service with the prayer following, all standing and repeating it with him.*

LORD, teach us to pray. Lord, keep our thoughts from wandering. Lord, cleanse our hearts that we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *The Minister shall read one or more of these Sentences of the Scriptures that follow.*

REMEMBER now thy Creator in the days of thy youth. *Eccles.* 12. 1.

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near. *Isaiah* 55. 6.

¶ *For Sentences which may be used on Festivals and Special Occasions, see Morning or Evening Prayer.*

¶ *Here shall follow this Form of Confession, or the General Confession, the Minister first saying:*

Let us kneel and humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

O HEAVENLY Father, we confess that we have sinned greatly against thee in thought, and word, and deed, and have done that which is wrong in thy sight. We ask thee to forgive us our sins, and to give us grace always to resist temptation and to do thy holy will; for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

¶ *A Prayer for Pardon.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful children pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

¶ *The Absolution to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing.*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, have mercy upon you, and forgive you all your sins, deliver you from all evil, preserve and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer, all kneeling and repeating it with him.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

O Lord, open thou our lips.
Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
Minister. O God, make speed to save us.
Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

¶ *Here, all standing up, the Minister shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.
Minister. Praise ye the Lord.
Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Here shall follow a Psalm, and then a Lesson; after which may follow a Hymn, and a short Sermon, or Address, or Catechizing.*

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the Jubilate Deo, or one of the Canticles appointed for Morning or Evening Prayer.*

JUBILATE DEO. Psalm 100.

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be said by all the Apostles' Creed.*

¶ *After the Creed the Minister shall say,*

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall follow the Collect of the day, and two or more other prayers to be taken from elsewhere in this Book, or from these following.*

O LORD God, who didst reveal thyself to thy prophet Samuel while he was yet a child: Grant unto us whom thou hast made thy children by adoption and grace, that we may above all things seek to know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent; and in all our learning grant us to fear and love thy holy Name; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, who didst sit lowly in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them and asking them questions: Be with us who are assembled in thy Name; and grant to those who teach, a right understanding of thy holy Word, and to those who learn, a readiness to hear and do thy blessed will; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

HEAVENLY Father, we thank thee for loving us, and for sending thy dear Son into the world to save us from our sins. We pray to thee for all who do not know of thy love, both at home and in foreign lands. Grant that through the work of our missionaries they may be led to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and may with us become soldiers and servants in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who makest us both to will and to do those things that be good and acceptable unto thy Divine Majesty: We make our humble supplications unto thee for thy favour and gracious goodness towards all teachers and scholars in our Sunday Schools.

Let thy Fatherly hand, we beseech thee, ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Here shall follow the special prayer for the Sunday School work of the Church* (*see page* 53), *the Service concluding with the following:*

O GOD, our loving Father, we thank thee for all the blessings thou hast given us, and above all for our salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to shew forth our thankfulness by trying in every thing to please thee; for the sake of the same our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have now made our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked, according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

SUGGESTED PSALMS.

Psalms 1, 8, 15, 19, 23, 24, 27, 34, 46, 63, 84, 91, 103, 119 (*selected portions*), 121, 122, 127, 133, 146, 148, 150.

SERVICE FOR CHILDREN

SUGGESTED LESSONS

¶ Suggested Lessons: Gen. 2, 4—9; 8, 1—14; 15, 1—18; 28, 10—21; Exod. 3, 1—9; Judges 7, 9—22; 1 Sam. 3; 17, 4—10; 17, 32—53; 1 Kings 18, 1, 2, and 17—39; Dan. 3; 5; 6; St Matth. 5, 1—15; 13, 1—8; 27, 26—50; St Mark 14, 3—9; St Luke 2, 41 to end; 10, 25—36; St John 6, 1—13; 10, 1—14; 15, 1—13; Acts 9, 1—20; 16, 16—34; 1 Cor. 13; Rev. 7, 9 to end; 21, 1—3; 22, 1—5. Advent: St Matth. 25, 1—12. Christmas: St Luke 2, 1—14. Epiphany: St Matth. 2, 1—12. Lent: St Luke 4, 1—13. Palm Sunday: St Mark 11, 1—10. Good Friday: St Luke 22, 39—46; St John 19, 25—36. Easter: St John 20, 1—10; 20, 11—17; 21, 1—13; St Luke 24, 13—34. Ascension Day: Acts 1, 1—11; Whitsunday: Acts 2, 1—11. Trinity Sunday: Isaiah 6, 1—8; St Matth. 28, 16 to end.

SPECIAL SERVICE FOR MISSIONS

¶ *Instead of the customary Sentences, one or more of the following may be read.*

THE earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. *Hab.* 2. 14.

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. *St Mark* 16. 15.

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! *Isaiah* 52. 7.

The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest. *St Matth.* 9. 37, 38.

¶ *Here shall follow the Exhortation, Confession, Absolution, Lord's Prayer and Versicles as in Morning and Evening Prayer.*

¶ *Instead of the* Venite, *this Psalm following may be said or sung.*

CANTATE DOMINO. Psalm 96.

O SING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.

For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.

Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth : and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *The following Proper Psalms may be used. Morning: Psalms* 2, 46, 97; *Evening: Psalms* 113, 126, 132. *And the following Proper Lessons. Morning: First Lesson, Isaiah* 49, 13—23; *Second Lesson, Eph.* 3. *Evening: First Lesson, Isaiah* 60, 1—14; *Second Lesson, John* 10, 1—15.

¶ *After the First Lesson, instead of the usual Canticle, may be said or sung the following.*

CANTATE DOMINO. Isaiah 42.

SING unto the Lord a new song : and his praise from the end of the earth;

Ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein : the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice : the villages that Kedar doth inhabit.

Let the inhabitants of the rock sing : let them shout from the top of the mountains.

Let them give glory unto the Lord : and declare his praise in the islands.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *After the Second Lesson, instead of the usual Canticle, may be said or sung the following.*

SURGE ILLUMINATOR. Isaiah 60.

ARISE, shine, for thy light is come : and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth : and gross darkness the people.

But the Lord shall arise upon thee : and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

And the Gentiles shall come to thy light : and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

Thy gates shall be open continually : they shall not be shut day nor night.

The sons also of them that afflicted thee : shall come bending unto thee;

And all they that despised thee : shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet.

And they shall call thee the city of the Lord : the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence shall no more be heard in thy land : wasting nor destruction within thy borders.

But thou shalt call thy walls Salvation : and thy gates Praise.

The sun shall be no more thy light by day : neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee,

But the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light : and thy God thy glory.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the Apostles' Creed.*

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *And, immediately after the Creed, the congregation shall be desired secretly in their prayers to make humble supplications to God for a blessing on the missions of the Church; and to that end silence shall be kept for a space, all devoutly kneeling.*

¶ *The following Suffrages shall then be said or sung.*

Minister. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

Minister. O Lord, save the King.

Answer. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Minister. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Minister. O Lord, save thy people.

Answer. And bless thine inheritance.

Minister. O Lord, take all heathen to thine inheritance.

Answer. And the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Minister. Let the knowledge of thy glory cover the earth;

Answer. As the waters cover the sea.

Minister. Shew thy servants thy work.

Answer. And their children thy glory.

Minister. Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.

Answer. O prosper thou our handiwork.

¶ *Then the Collect of the day, together with the following.*

O GOD, who didst choose Israel to be thine inheritance: Look, we beseech thee, upon thy chosen people; take away the blindness which is fallen upon them; grant that they may see and confess the Lord Jesus to be thy Son and their true Messiah, and that, believing, they may have life through his Name. Bless those who labour to bring them to the know-

ledge of thy truth; and hasten the time when the fulness of the Gentiles shall come in, and all Israel shall be saved; through the merits of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh: Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee, and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give commandment to the Apostles that they should go into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature: Grant to us whom thou hast called into thy Church, a ready will to obey thy Word, and fill us with a hearty desire to make thy way known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Look with compassion upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the multitudes that are scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. Raise up, we pray thee, true and faithful men, to seek and find thy sheep dispersed and lost, and by thy help to bring them home to thy flock, that they may be saved forever; through the same thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Here a Hymn or Anthem may be sung; after which the Minister shall say,*

Let us pray.

¶ *For Missionary Societies.*

ALMIGHTY Saviour, who, being exalted by the right hand of God, didst receive gifts for men: Send down the grace of thy Holy Spirit upon thy people, and grant that they may give cheerfully of their substance, for the evangelizing of the world. Bless all those who are banded together for the spread of the Gospel [*especially**]; make them faithful and true witnesses in proclaiming thy glorious Name; and prosper the work of their hands upon them, that the light of thy truth may shine into the darkest corners of the earth. Hear us, O Merciful Saviour, who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

* Here may be mentioned by name any Society for which prayer is to be offered.

¶ *For an increase of labourers in the Lord's vineyard.*

O HEAVENLY Father, Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech thee, to the prayers of thy people, and send forth more labourers into thine harvest. Fit and prepare them by thy grace for the work of thy ministry; give them the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind; strengthen them to endure hardness; and grant that thy Holy Spirit may prosper their work, and that by their life and doctrine they may set forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Thanksgiving.*

ALMIGHTY God, we give thee humble and hearty thanks for thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We thank thee for the light of thy Gospel, the labours of thy

servants, and the ministrations of thy Church. We also bless thy holy Name for those who have lived, and suffered, and died for thy sake in the waste places of the earth; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may at last attain thy heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *At the Communion Service, the following Collect may be used with, or instead of, the Collect of the day.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who desirest not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn to thee and live: Mercifully receive our prayer, and deliver the heathen from idolatry, and gather them into thy holy Church, to the praise and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Rom. 10. 11.

FOR the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him, in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him, of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 28. 18.

AND Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

MID-DAY PRAYERS FOR MISSIONS.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us: And lead us not into

temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me.

BLESSED Saviour, who at this hour didst hang upon the cross stretching out thy loving arms: Grant that all mankind may look unto thee and be saved; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At mid-day, O King, I saw a light above the brightness of the sun.

ALMIGHTY Saviour, who at mid-day didst call thy servant Saint Paul to be an Apostle to the Gentiles: We beseech thee to illumine the world with the radiance of thy glory, that all nations may come and worship thee; who art, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Peter went up upon the house-top to pray, about the sixth hour.

FATHER of mercies, who to thine Apostle Saint Peter didst reveal in three-fold vision thy boundless compassion: Forgive, we pray thee, our unbelief, and so enlarge our hearts, and enkindle our zeal, that we may fervently desire the salvation of all men, and with more ready diligence labour in the extension of thy kingdom; for his sake, who gave himself for the life of the world, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A FORM OF THANKSGIVING

FOR

THE BLESSINGS OF HARVEST

¶ *At Morning and Evening Prayer, the usual order shall be observed except for the following variations.*

¶ *The Minister shall say one or more of the following Sentences.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, because his mercy endureth for ever. *Psalm* 118. 1.

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous, for it becometh well the just to be thankful. *Psalm* 33. 1.

Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase; so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. *Prov.* 3. 9.

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof. *Psalm* 24. 1.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. *Psalm* 103. 2.

¶ *Instead of the* Venite, *the following may be said or sung, at Morning Prayer.*

LAUDATE DOMINUM. Psalm 147.

O PRAISE the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God : yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

The Lord doth build up Jerusalem : and gather together the outcasts of Israel.

He healeth those that are broken in heart : and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.

O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving : sing praises upon the harp unto our God;

Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth : and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men;

Who giveth fodder unto the cattle : and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem : praise thy God, O Sion.

For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates : and hath blessed thy children within thee.

He maketh peace in thy borders : and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *One or more of the following Proper Psalms may be used. At Morning Prayer, Psalms* 65, 103, 107, 144, 145. *At Evening Prayer, Psalms* 148, 150.

¶ *The following Proper Lessons shall be read. At Morning Prayer, First Lesson, Deut.* 8. *Second Lesson, St Luke* 12, 15—34. *At Evening Prayer, First Lesson, Deut.* 16, 9—17, *or Deut.* 28, 1—14. *Second Lesson,* 2 *Cor.* 9.

¶ *After the Collect of the day, two or more of the following Collects shall be used.*

O ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, we glorify thee that we are once more permitted to enjoy the fulfilment of thy gracious promise, that, while the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest shall not fail. Blessed be thou, who hast given us the fruits of the earth in their season. Teach us to

remember that it is not by bread alone that man doth live; but grant that we may feed on him who is the true bread which cometh down from heaven, even Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour; to whom with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL GOD, at whose bidding the earth withholdeth her increase, or rendereth her fruits in their season: Give us grace that we may learn, both from thy mercies and thy judgements, our entire dependence upon thee for the supply of our daily bread; and grant that we, remembering that thy blessings are for our trial as well as for our comfort, may with thankful hearts give unto thee of thine own, ministering gladly to the maintenance of thy Church, the relief of the poor and the afflicted, the widow and the orphan, to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD, we pray thee, sow the seed of thy word in our hearts, and send down upon us the showers of thy grace, that we may bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, and at the great day of harvest may be gathered by the holy angels into the heavenly garner; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God, whose dearly beloved Son, after his resurrection, sent his Apostles into all the world, and, on the day of Pentecost, endued them with special gifts of the Holy Ghost, that they might gather in the spiritual harvest: We beseech thee to look down from heaven upon the fields, now

white unto the harvest, and to send forth more labourers to gather fruit unto eternal life. And grant us grace so to help them with our prayers and offerings, that when the harvest of the earth is ripe, and the time for reaping is come, we, together with them, may rejoice before thee, according to the joy in harvest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Before the General Thanksgiving, shall be said one or more of the following.*

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast watered our fields with the dew of heaven, and poured out upon us the former and the latter rain, according to our need, and hast reserved unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest: We bless and praise thee that, in love to thy children, thou hast at this season bestowed upon us such an abundant supply for all our necessities. Grant that we may never be destitute of those better gifts which nourish and enrich the soul. Pour down, we beseech thee, upon us thy heavenly grace, and endue us with the gifts of thy Holy Spirit, that we may bring forth abundant fruits to thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MOST merciful Father, who of thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of thy Church, and hast granted us to gather in their season the kindly fruits of the earth, and the harvest of the seas: We give thee humble thanks for this thy bounty; beseeching thee to continue thy loving-kindness towards us, that our land may yield her increase; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE BLESSINGS OF HARVEST

¶ *This prayer may be used when the harvest has been defective.*

ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, who hast in wisdom seen fit to withhold from us at this time thine accustomed bounty: We most humbly praise thee for still bestowing upon us far more than we deserve. Make us truly thankful for our many blessings; increase in us more and more a lively faith and love, and a humble submission to thy blessed will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *At the Communion Service, the following Collect, Epistle, and Gospel may be used.*

THE COLLECT.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who crownest the year with thy goodness, and hast given unto us the fruits of the earth in their season: Give us grateful hearts, that we may unfeignedly thank thee for all thy loving-kindness, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Rev. 14. 14.

AND I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was

reaped. And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

THE GOSPEL. St John 6. 26.

JESUS answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed. Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent. They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work? Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

FORM OF
INSTITUTION AND INDUCTION

¶ *Upon the day and at the hour appointed, Morning or Evening Prayer may be said to the end of the Third Collect, with Proper Psalms and Lessons.*

Proper Psalms, 121, 132.

Proper Lesson.

Joshua 1. 1—9; *or Ezek.* 33. 1—9; *or Titus* 2.

Note. At the discretion of the Minister the shortened form may be used.

The Collect of the day shall be that appointed for St Simon and St Jude's Day.

The Epistle: 1 *Thess.* 2. 1—12.
The Gospel: St John 10. 1—16.

¶ *When all things are duly prepared in the Church, the Bishop standing by the Lord's Table shall say,*

DEARLY beloved in the Lord, in the name of God, and in the presence of this congregation, we purpose now to give Institution into the Cure of Souls in this Parish to our well-beloved in Christ, *N.*, and to induct him into the Incumbency thereof; and, forasmuch as the charge of immortal souls, which our blessed Lord and Saviour has purchased with his own most precious blood, is so solemn and weighty a thing, we beseech you to join together with us in hearty prayer to Almighty God, that he would vouchsafe to give to this his servant grace to perform aright the duties which appertain to so sacred and grave a trust.

¶ *If the Institution hath taken place elsewhere, and the Bishop be not present, then the Archdeacon (or other person duly authorized by the Bishop) standing by the Lord's Table shall read the Mandate of Induction, after which he shall address the people as followeth.*

DEARLY beloved in the Lord, forasmuch as our well-beloved in Christ, *N.*, hath been appointed and instituted into the Cure of Souls in this Parish by the Bishop of the Diocese; and forasmuch as the Bishop hath issued his Mandate to induct him into the Incumbency thereof; we are assembled together here this day to induct the said *N.* into the Incumbency of this Parish, with all the rights and emoluments thereto belonging. And forasmuch as the charge of immortal souls is so solemn and weighty a thing, let us join together in hearty prayer to Almighty God, that he would vouchsafe his blessing upon this his servant and the people committed to his charge.

¶ *Then silence shall be kept for a space, so that prayer may be made to God.*

¶ *Then shall be said or sung, all kneeling,*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant;
Answer. Who putteth his trust in thee.

Minister. Send him help from thy holy place.

Answer. And evermore defend him.

Minister. Be unto him, O Lord, a strong tower;

Answer. From the face of his enemy.

Minister. O Lord, hear our prayer.

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock: Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors of thy Church diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that when the chief Shepherd shall appear, they may together receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church: Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same, and specially to this thy servant now present before thee; and so replenish him with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn him with innocency of life, that he may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the edification of thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Incumbent shall stand before the Bishop (sitting in his chair), or before the Archdeacon or other person duly authorized by the Bishop (if the Bishop be not present), and read aloud the declarations and oaths previously made and taken by him.*

¶ *Then shall be read aloud the Letters of Institution and* [or] *Licence.*

INSTITUTION.

To be taken only by the Bishop.

¶ *Then the Incumbent shall kneel before the Bishop, who shall deliver to him the Letters of Institution and* [or] *Licence, saying,*

ACCEPT this charge, which is mine and thine, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

¶ *The Bishop shall then present to the person instituted the Bible and Book of Common Prayer, saying,*

RECEIVE these Books; and let them be the rule of thy conduct in dispensing God's holy Word, in leading the devotions of the people, in administering the Sacraments of Christ, and in exercising the discipline of the Church. And be thou in all things a pattern to the flock committed to thy care. *Amen.*

¶ *The Bishop shall then rise and give his blessing to the new Incumbent, still kneeling before him, after this sort.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hath moved thee to take upon thee this ministry, and hath called thee to exercise it in this place: Grant to thee strength and power to fulfil it to the glory of God and the good of souls, that in so doing thou mayest save thyself and them that hear thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

INDUCTION.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say to the new Incumbent,*

I DO now induct you into the real, actual, and corporal possession of this Church (*or* the Churches of this Parish), with all the rights, privileges, and emoluments thereto belonging.

¶ *If the Bishop do not induct, the Archdeacon (or other person duly authorized by the Bishop) shall hand to the new Incumbent the Letters of Institution and* [or] *Licence. Then shall he say,*

BY virtue of the Mandate of the Bishop, I do induct you into the real, actual, and corporal possession of this Church (*or* the Churches of this Parish), with all the rights, privileges, and emoluments thereto belonging.

¶ *Then one of the Churchwardens shall present to the Incumbent the keys of the Church and say,*

ON behalf of this Parish, and in obedience to the Mandate of the Bishop of the Diocese, I present to you the keys of this Church, in token that we acknowledge you as lawful Incumbent of this Parish.

¶ *Then the Incumbent shall answer,*

I RECEIVE these keys at your hands, as the pledge of your recognition of me as your appointed Minister.

¶ *Then the Archdeacon shall add,*

THE Lord preserve thy going out and thy coming in, from this time forth, for evermore. Amen.

¶ *Then the Archdeacon, together with the Churchwardens, shall conduct the Incumbent to his accustomed seat. Then shall be sung a Hymn.*

¶ *Then these Admonitions may be read at the holy Table, or in the manner following:*

¶ *The Bishop and the Incumbent standing at the Font, the Bishop shall say,*

Hear the words of our Saviour Christ, written in the twenty-eighth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

GO ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

IT is the duty of the Minister frequently to admonish the people that they defer not the baptism of their children; and diligently to seek out and bring any unbaptized persons in the parish to the holy Sacrament of Baptism; and to catechize, and prepare for Confirmation by the Bishop, those who have been baptized.

¶ *The Incumbent.*

I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then, proceeding to the place where the prayers are said, the Bishop shall say,*

Hear the words of Saint Paul, written in the second chapter of the First Epistle to Timothy.

I EXHORT, therefore, that first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

IT is the duty of the Minister diligently to say public prayer, and devoutly and reverently to order the service of God's house.

¶ *The Incumbent.*

I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *And at the place where the Lessons are read, the Bishop shall say,*

Hear the words of Saint Paul, written in the third chapter of the Second Epistle to Timothy.

ALL Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness; that the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

IT is the duty of the Minister diligently to study and read God's holy Word; according to the solemn promise made at his Ordination.

¶ *The Incumbent.*

I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *At the pulpit, the Bishop shall say,*

Hear the words of Saint Paul, written in the fourth chapter of the Second Epistle to Timothy.

I CHARGE thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine.

IT is the duty of the Minister diligently to preach God's holy Word, and to use publick and private monitions and exhortations, as well to the sick as to the whole; according to the solemn promise made at his Ordination.

¶ *The Incumbent.*

I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then they shall proceed to the Lord's Table, and the Bishop shall say,*

Hear the words of Saint Paul, written in the tenth and eleventh chapters of the First Epistle to the Corinthians.

THE cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we being many are one bread, and one body; for we are all partakers of that one bread. As often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

IT is the duty of the Minister diligently and frequently to celebrate the holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ.

¶ *The Incumbent.*

I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop, turning to the people, say,*

Hear the words of Saint Paul, written in the ninth chapter of the First Epistle to the Corinthians, and in the fifth chapter of the First Epistle to the Thessalonians.

EVEN so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel. We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.

IT is the duty of the people to afford to their Minister at all times all needful help and encouragement in his work, and to give of their substance to his support; so that, being free from worldly anxieties, he may devote himself wholly to the preaching of God's Word and the ministration of the Sacraments. Therefore, I charge and exhort you, Brethren and Churchwardens of this Parish, to pray continually for this your Minister who is set over you in the Lord, and to help him forward in all the duties of his holy calling. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

¶ *Here may follow a Sermon or Address.*

¶ *Immediately before the Benediction, shall be said the two prayers following.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who makest us to will and to do of thy good pleasure: Give thy servant grace truly to perform the solemn vows and promises by him made; grant that he may be a faithful dispenser of thy holy

Word and Sacraments; and that he may be a godly example to the people committed to his charge; so that, after this life is ended, together they may come to thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee, for all estates of men in thy holy Church; that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

OFFICE FOR

LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE

OF A CHURCH OR CHAPEL

¶ *All things being ready, the Bishop, or other person duly authorized by him, shall say,*

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

EXCEPT the Lord build the house, their labour is but lost that build it.

Bishop. Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.
Bishop. O Lord, hear our prayer;
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.
Bishop. Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
Answer. From this time forth for evermore.

¶ *Then shall be sung or said this Psalm following.*

QUAM DILECTA! Psalm 84.

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praising thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee : in whose heart are thy ways.

Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.

They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God our defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

For one day in thy courts : is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be read this Lesson.*

Ezra 3. 10.

AND when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the Lord, after the ordinance of David king of Israel. And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto

the Lord; because he is good, for his mercy endureth for ever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.

¶ *Then shall be sung the Jubilate or a Hymn.*

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

Behold I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious,

Answer. And he that believeth in him shall not be confounded.

Bishop. The stone which the builders refused,

Answer. Is become the headstone of the corner.

Bishop. This is the Lord's doing;

Answer. And it is marvellous in our eyes.

Bishop. Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid,

Answer. Which is Jesus Christ.

Bishop. Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then the Bishop, laying his hand upon the stone, shall say,*

O LORD Jesu Christ, Son of the living God, who art the brightness of the Father's glory, and the express image of his person; the one foundation, and the chief corner-stone: Bless what we now do in laying this stone in thy Name, and be thou, we beseech thee, the beginning, the increase, and the consummation of this work, which is undertaken to thy glory; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE

¶ *Then, all things being made ready, the stone shall be laid, by the person appointed thereto, with these words,*

IN the faith of Jesus Christ, we lay this foundation stone, in the Name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

HERE let true faith, the fear of God, and brotherly love ever remain. This place is set apart for prayer, and for the praise of the most holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ; who ever liveth, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.

Bishop. Let us pray.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

O ETERNAL God, mighty in power, of infinite majesty, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain, much less the walls of temples made with hands; who yet hast promised to be present wherever two or three are gathered together in thy Name: Direct and bless, we pray thee, our efforts to build

this house for thy worship and service, and grant us such success as may tend to thy glory and the salvation of thy people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who art the shield and defence of thy people: Be ever at hand, we beseech thee, to protect and succour the builders of this house; keep them, in their building, from all sin and profaneness, and shelter them from all accident and peril; that the work, which through thy mercy hath now been begun, may by their labour be brought to a happy end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who hast laid in Sion a chief corner-stone, elect, precious, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, upon whom alone thou dost build the living temple of thy Church: Grant unto the work of thine own hands continual increase of glory and spiritual strength, and daily make thy people more meet for the eternal tabernacle of thy rest in the heavens; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *An Address may be given.*

¶ *After a Hymn has been sung, during which a collection may be made, the Bishop shall say the following prayers.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

LAYING THE FOUNDATION STONE

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE Lord bless you, and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

FORM OF

CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH OR CHAPEL

¶ *The Bishop, attended by his Chancellor and Chaplains, shall be received at the door of the church by the Clergy (wearing surplices), the Churchwardens, and others. A petition, in the form following or to the like effect, signed by the Incumbent, Churchwardens, and others, shall be read, and presented to the Bishop.*

TO the Right Reverend..... Bishop of.....,

WE, the Incumbent, Churchwardens, and other inhabitants of.....having acquired the land (*describe it*), more particularly described in a deed between.....and..... (*or by will or otherwise as the case may be*), duly registered according to law (*where registration is possible*) on the.....day of.....in the year of....., on which there is a Church, which we certify to be free from any legal incumbrance, do humbly pray you to separate the same from all profane and common uses, and to consecrate the said Church, and set it apart for ever for the worship of God, according to the rites and discipline of the Church of England in Canada.

¶ *The Bishop, accepting the Petition, shall answer and consent, saying,*

BRETHREN, if this be your desire, and the desire of the Parishioners, we will now proceed to the act of consecration.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Bishop and Clergy, preceded by the Churchwardens, entering the Church or Chapel by the principal entrance, and proceeding up the midst thereof towards the Chancel, shall say or sing the 24th Psalm.*

DOMINI EST TERRA. Psalm 24.

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place?

Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart : and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

He shall receive the blessing from the Lord : and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of them that seek him : even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory : it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *When the Bishop is seated, he shall have the instrument or instruments of donation and endowment presented to him, by the person duly appointed, which he shall lay on the holy Table; and then, standing and turning to the Congregation, he shall say to them as follows, or otherwise, at his discretion.*

DEARLY beloved in the Lord, forasmuch as devout and holy men, as well under the law as under the Gospel, moved either by the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, or by express command of God, or by their own reason and sense of order and decency, have erected houses for the public worship of God, and have separated them from all profane and common uses, in order to fill men's minds with greater reverence for his glorious majesty, and affect their hearts with more devotion and humility in his service; which pious works our heavenly Father hath vouchsafed to approve and accept: Let us not doubt but he will also graciously approve this our godly purpose of setting apart this place in solemn manner to religious worship; and let us faithfully and devoutly beg his blessing on this our undertaking, and say,

¶ *Then, all kneeling down, the Bishop shall say the prayer following.*

O ETERNAL God, mighty in power, of majesty incomprehensible, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain, much less the walls of temples made with hands; and who yet hast been graciously pleased to

promise thy especial presence in whatsoever place even two or three of thy faithful servants shall assemble in thy Name, to offer up their supplications and their praises to thee: Vouchsafe, O Lord, to be present with us, who are now gathered together to consecrate this place, with all humility and readiness of heart, to the honour of thy great Name; separating it henceforth from all unhallowed, ordinary, and common uses; and dedicating it entirely to thy service, for reading therein thy most holy Word, for celebrating thy holy Sacraments, for offering to thy glorious majesty the sacrifice of prayer and thanksgiving, for blessing thy people in thy Name, and for all other holy ordinances: Accept, O Lord, this service at our hands, and bless it with such success as may most tend to thy glory, and the salvation of thy people; through Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

¶ *After this the Bishop shall say,*

REGARD, O Lord, the supplications of thy servants, and grant that whosoever shall be dedicated to thee in this house by baptism may be sanctified by the Holy Ghost, delivered from thy wrath and eternal death, and, being made a living member of Christ's Church, may ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that they who in this place shall in their own persons renew the promises and vows made by their sureties for them at their baptism, and thereupon shall be confirmed by the Bishop, may continue thine for ever; and being preserved in

the unity of thy Church, may daily increase in thy Holy Spirit more and more, until they come to thine everlasting kingdom. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that whosoever shall receive in this place the blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ thy Son may come to that holy ordinance with a true penitent heart, lively faith, and perfect charity; and being filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, may, to their great and endless comfort, obtain remission of their sins, and all other benefits of his Passion. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that whosoever shall be joined together in this place in the holy estate of Matrimony may faithfully perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, and may remain in perfect love together unto their lives' end. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that all such as have through thy mercy been preserved in the great danger of child-birth, and shall come to this place to give thee thanks for the same, may through thy help both faithfully live and walk according to thy will in this life present, and also be partakers of everlasting glory in the life to come. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, who givest light in darkness, comfort to the mourners, and to the weary rest: Grant to all thy bereaved children who shall enter into this house, to be filled with the consolations of thy Holy Spirit; that, when the diseases of their souls are healed, and all sorrows ended, they may be refreshed with the joys of an eternal resurrection. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that whosoever shall confess their sins and offer up their prayers and praises unto thy divine majesty in this place, may be kept from all worldly and wandering thoughts, and may draw near unto thee with such stedfastness of faith, and devout affection of mind, that they may be graciously accepted in thy sight. O Lord, pardon their sins, compassionate their infirmities, enlighten and sanctify them by thy Holy Spirit, and enable them so to serve and worship thee here below, that finally they may be received into thy presence, to praise and glorify thee for evermore. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, to thy people when they offer of their substance to thee in this place, that they may feel and know that it is more blessed to give than to receive, and that with such sacrifices thou art well pleased; and that their alms may come up as a memorial before thee. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, that by thy holy Word which shall be read and preached in this place, the hearers thereof may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same. All these our prayers and supplications we offer in the Name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

NOW unto the King, eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be all glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, the Bishop sitting in his chair, one of the Clergy or other person appointed by him shall read publicly the Sentence of Consecration, according to the form on page 726, which the Bishop shall then sign, and order to be recorded in the Registry of the Diocese.*

¶ *The Service appointed for the day shall then be said, unless otherwise ordered by the Bishop.*

Proper Psalms: 84, 122, 132. *Proper Lessons: First Lesson,* 1 *Kings* 8. 1—30, *or* 1 *Chron.* 29. 1—24, *or Zechariah* 8. 9 *to end; Second Lesson, Heb.* 10. 19—25.

¶ *Instead of the Collect of the day, the Bishop shall say the following prayer.*

O MOST blessed Saviour, who didst vouchsafe thy gracious presence at the Feast of Dedication: Be present with us at this time by thy Holy Spirit, and so possess our souls by thy grace, that we may be living temples, holy and acceptable unto thee; and, being cleansed from all carnal and corrupt affections, may be devoutly given to serve thee in good works; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *After the General Thanksgiving, the Bishop shall say the following prayer.*

BLESSED be thy Name, O Lord, that it hath pleased thee to put into the heart of thy *servants* to erect this house to thy honour and worship. Bless, O Lord, *them, their families,* and *their* substance, and accept the work of *their* hands; and grant that all who shall enjoy the benefit of this pious work may shew forth their thankfulness by making a right use of the same, to the glory of thy blessed Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Prayer ended, a Hymn may be sung.*

FORM OF CONSECRATION

¶ *In the Communion Office, instead of the Collect appointed for the day, the following shall be said.*

O MOST glorious Lord God, we acknowledge that we are not worthy to offer unto thee anything belonging to us; yet we beseech thee, of thy great goodness, graciously to accept the dedication of this place to thy service, and to prosper this our undertaking. Receive the prayers and intercessions of all thy servants, who, either now or hereafter, entering into this thine house, shall call upon thee; and by thy grace prepare our hearts to serve thee with reverence and godly fear. Fill us, we beseech thee, with a deep sense of our unworthiness; that so approaching thy sanctuary with lowliness and devotion, and coming before thee with pure hearts, with bodies undefiled, and minds sanctified, we may always render a service acceptable to thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. Ephesians 2. 13.

BUT now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; and that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: and came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens

with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone; in whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

THE GOSPEL. St John 2. 13.

AND the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: and when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise. And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.

¶ *Here may follow a Sermon or Address.*

¶ *The Sermon being ended, and the Offertory Sentences read, and the alms reverently presented by the Bishop: the Bishop shall then place on the holy Table as much bread and wine as he shall think sufficient; after which he shall say the prayer for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth, and the rest of the office for the holy Communion.*

¶ *Immediately before the final Blessing, the Bishop shall say the following prayer.*

BLESSED be thy Name, O Lord God, for that it pleaseth thee to have thy habitation among the sons of men, and to dwell in the midst of the assembly of the saints upon earth: Bless, we beseech thee, the religious service of this day, and grant that in

this place, now set apart to thy service, thy holy Name may be worshipped in truth and purity to all generations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SENTENCE OF CONSECRATION.

In the Name of God. *Amen.*

WHEREAS a Church has been erected at .....within our Diocese and jurisdiction, upon a piece of land (*description of the land and title to be here inserted*); and whereas the said building is now completed and furnished with all things requisite for the due performance of public worship, and is free from all legal liability for debt, and is now ready for consecration; and whereas a Petition has been presented to us by the Incumbent, the Wardens and others (*to be here described as the case may be*), praying that we would be pleased to consecrate the said building;

Now therefore, we,....., by Divine permission Bishop of....., do by virtue of the authority ordinary and episcopal to us committed, consecrate the said building, and do set it apart from all profane and common uses, and do dedicate the same to Almighty God for the ministration of his holy Word and Sacraments, and for public worship, according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England in Canada, and no other, by the name of.....

And we do pronounce, decree, and declare that the said Church shall remain so consecrated, set apart, and dedicated for ever, by this our definitive sentence and final decree, which we read and promulge by these presents.

WITNESS our hand and seal, this.....day of .....in the year of our Lord....., and of our Consecration the.....

FORM OF

CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH-YARD

TOGETHER WITH A CHURCH

¶ *Before or after Service in the Church, the Bishop, Clergy, and the people shall walk round the portion of ground which is to be consecrated; and the Bishop, standing in some convenient place, shall say the following prayer.*

O GOD, who hast taught us in thy holy Word that there is a difference between the spirit of a beast, that goeth downward to the earth, and the spirit of a man, which ascendeth up to God who gave it; and likewise, by the example of thy holy servants in all ages, hast taught us to assign particular places, where the bodies of thy saints may rest in peace, and be preserved from all indignities, whilst their souls are kept in the hands of their faithful Redeemer: Accept, we beseech thee, this charitable work of ours, in separating this portion of ground to that good purpose; and give us grace that, by the frequent instances of mortality which we behold, we may seriously consider how frail and uncertain our own condition is, and may so number our days as to apply our hearts unto wisdom; that in the midst of life thinking upon death, and daily preparing ourselves for the judgement that is to follow, we may have our part in the resurrection to eternal life, with him who died for our sins and rose again for our justification, and now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FORM OF CONSECRATION

O LORD Jesu Christ, who by thy death hast overcome death, and by thy rising to life again hast restored to us everlasting life: Grant to all thy servants, who shall here be buried, that their bodies may rest in peace, and that through the grave and gate of death they may pass to a joyful resurrection; through thy merits, who livest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FORM OF CONSECRATION OF

A CHURCH-YARD OR CEMETERY

SEPARATELY

¶ *At the entrance of the ground or Church-yard to be consecrated, which shall be sufficiently enclosed, a Petition for its consecration shall be presented to the Bishop (as before presented in the Office for the Consecration of Churches).*

¶ *After assenting to its prayer, the Bishop shall say the following Collect.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Bishop, Clergy, and Laity, in due order, shall walk round the portion of ground which is to be consecrated, saying or singing Psalms* 23, 39, 90, 103, *or any of them. Returning to the Church porch, or other convenient spot, the Bishop shall say,*

THE glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper thou our handwork.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop, or some Clergyman appointed by him, read one of the Lessons following: Genesis* 23, *or St John* 5. 21—29, *or* 1 *Thessalonians* 4. 13 *to end.*

¶ *Then some Clergyman or other person appointed by the Bishop shall read the Sentence of Consecration, according to the form below, which the Bishop shall sign and order to be recorded in the Registry of the Diocese.*

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say the prayers before directed to be used in a Church-yard consecrated together with a Church; and also the Collect appointed for All Saints' Day, as followeth.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *After which a Hymn may be sung, and an Address given.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

SENTENCE OF CONSECRATION.

In the Name of God. *Amen.*

WHEREAS a piece of land situate at..... within our Diocese and jurisdiction, described as follows (*description of the land and of the title by which it is held to be here entered*) has been appropriated for the burial of the dead; and whereas the said piece of land is sufficiently enclosed and

is now ready for consecration; and whereas a Petition has been presented to us by the Incumbent, the Wardens and others (*to be here described as the case may be*), praying that we would be pleased to consecrate the said land;

Now, therefore, we,....., by Divine permission Bishop of....., do by virtue of the authority ordinary and episcopal to us committed, consecrate the said piece of land, and do set it apart from all profane and common uses, and do dedicate the same to Almighty God for the burial of the dead, according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England in Canada, and no other; that the bodies of the faithful may therein rest in peace and hope of the resurrection to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And we do pronounce, decree, and declare that the said land shall remain so consecrated, set apart, and dedicated for ever, by this our definitive sentence and final decree, which we read and promulge by these presents.

WITNESS our hand and seal, this.....day of .....in the year of our Lord....., and of our Consecration the.....

FORM FOR THE HALLOWING OF A GRAVE IN UNCONSECRATED GROUND

O LORD Jesu Christ, who by thy burial didst sanctify an earthly sepulchre: Vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to bless and hallow this grave, that it may be a resting-place, peaceful and secure, for the body of thy servant, which we are about to commit (*or* which has been committed) to thy gracious keeping, who art the Resurrection and the Life, and who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED IN FAMILIES

MORNING

¶ *After the reading of a portion of holy Scripture, let the head of the household, or some other member of the family, say,*

O GOD, thou art my God, early will I seek thee. In the morning I will direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

Let us pray.

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Thanksgiving for the gift of another day.*

WE give thee hearty thanks, for the rest of the past night, and for the gift of a new day. Grant that we may so pass its hours in the perfect freedom of thy service, that at eventide we may again give thanks unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Here may follow the Collect of the day.*

¶ *Prayer and Intercession.*

O LORD God, who hast bidden light to shine out of darkness, who hast again wakened us to praise thee for thy goodness and mercy, and to ask for thy grace: Accept now, in thine endless mercy, the offering of our worship and thanksgiving, and grant unto us all such requests as may be acceptable to

thy holy will. Make us to be children of the light and of the day, and heirs of thy everlasting inheritance. Remember, O Lord, according to the multitude of thy mercies, thy whole Church, all who join with us in prayer, and all our brethren, wherever they may be in thy vast kingdom, who stand in need of thy grace and succour. Pour down upon us all the riches of thy mercy, so that, redeemed in soul and body, and stedfast in faith, we may ever praise thy wonderful and holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Remembrance of God's Presence.*

O HEAVENLY Father, in whom we live and move and have our being, we humbly pray thee so to guide and govern us by thy Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our daily life we may never forget thee, but remember that we are ever walking in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Daily Work.*

O LORD our heavenly Father, by whose providence the duties of men are variously ordered: Grant to us all the spirit to labour heartily to do our work in our several stations, in serving one Master and looking for one reward. Teach us to put to good account whatever talents thou hast lent to us, and enable us to redeem our time by patience and zeal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For the Family.*

MERCIFUL Saviour, who didst love Martha and Mary and Lazarus, blessing their home with thy sacred presence: Bless, we

beseech thee, our home that thy love may rest upon us, and that thy promised presence may be with us. May we all grow in grace and in the knowledge of thee, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Teach us to love one another as thou didst give us commandment. Help us all to choose that better part which shall not be taken away from us. Hear us, O Jesu, who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, livest and reignest, one God, for evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *For Relatives and Friends.*

O LOVING Father, we commend to thy gracious keeping all who are near and dear to us. Have mercy upon those who are sick, and comfort all who are in pain, anxiety, or sorrow. Awaken all who are careless about eternal things. Bless those who are young and in health, that they may give the days of their strength unto thee. Comfort the aged and infirm, that thy peace may rest upon them. Hallow the ties of kindred, that we may help, and not hinder, one another in all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For the Parish.*

MOST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send down thy heavenly blessing upon thy Church in this Parish, that all its members may dwell together in unity and brotherly love. Keep far from us all selfwill and discord. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness, and enable them faithfully to dispense thy holy Word and Sacraments, to bring again the outcasts, and to seek the lost; and grant

to us so to receive their ministrations, and to use thy means of grace, that in all our words and deeds we may seek thy glory and the advancement of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

2 *Corinthians* 13.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

EVENING

¶ *After the reading of a portion of holy Scripture, let the head of the household, or some other member of the family, say,*

O LORD, let our prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense. And the lifting up of our hands as an evening sacrifice.

Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

O ALMIGHTY Father, Lord of heaven and earth, We confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us after thy great goodness; According to the multitude of thy mercies do away our offences; Wash us throughly from our wickedness, And cleanse us from our sins; For Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

¶ *For pardon through the Cross.*

ALMIGHTY Father, who of thy great love to men didst give thy dearly beloved Son to die for us: Grant that through his Cross

our sins may be put away, and remembered no more against us, and that, cleansed by his Blood, and mindful of his sufferings, we may take up our cross daily, and follow him in newness of life, until we come to his everlasting kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Thanksgiving.*

O MOST merciful Father, we humbly thank thee for all thy gifts so freely bestowed upon us. For life and health and safety, for power to work and leisure to rest, for all that is beautiful in creation and in the lives of men, we praise and magnify thy holy Name. But, above all, we thank thee for our spiritual mercies in Christ Jesus our Lord, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Fill our hearts with all joy and peace in believing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Here may follow the Collect of the day.*

¶ *For Protection.*

ALMIGHTY Father, who slumberest not nor sleepest: We humbly pray thee to watch over us this night with the eyes of thy mercy. Grant us quiet and refreshing sleep, such as may fit us for the duties of the morrow. Put far from us all worldly cares and earthly fears, and give us holy thoughts of thee, that we may repose in peace, and, whether we wake or sleep, may live together with him who died and was buried and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Children.*

O LORD Jesu Christ, who didst take little children into thine arms, and bless them: Bless, we beseech thee, the children of this family; grant that they may grow up in thy fear and love; give unto them day by day thy strength and guidance, that so they may continue in thy love and service unto their lives' end. Grant this, O blessed Saviour, for thine own Name's sake. *Amen.*

¶ *For Absent Ones.*

O GOD, who art present in every place, look down with thy mercy upon those whom we love, now absent from us; give thine Angels charge over them, and defend them from all dangers of body and soul; bring us together again, if it be thy holy will; grant that both they and we, drawing nearer to thee may draw nearer to one another, and in the end, united in thy presence, may evermore rejoice together in our heavenly home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *For Freedom from worry.*

O LORD, who hast pity for all our weakness, put away from us worry and every anxious fear, that, having ended the labours of the day as in thy sight and committing our tasks, ourselves, and all we love into thy keeping, we may, now that night cometh, receive, as from thee, thy priceless gift of sleep; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give

us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Commendation.*

WE will lay us down in peace, and take our rest, for it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safety. The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night, and at the last a perfect end; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be with us this night, and for evermore. *Amen.*

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BOOK OF COMMON PRAISE

1

Bishop R. Heber, 1827.

'They rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.' Rev. iv. 8.

HOLY, Holy, Holy! LORD GOD Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty,
GOD in THREE Persons, Blessèd TRINITY!

2 Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, Holy, Holy! LORD GOD Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and Mighty,
GOD in THREE Persons, Blessèd TRINITY!
Amen.

2

Bishop Thomas Ken, 1692.

'I myself will awake early.' Ps. cviii. 2.

AWAKE, my soul, and with the sun
Thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise
To pay thy morning sacrifice.

2 Redeem thy mis-spent moments past,
And live this day as if thy last;
Improve thy talent with due care;
For the great day thyself prepare.

3 Let all thy converse be sincere,
Thy conscience as the noon-day clear;
Think how all-seeing GOD thy ways
And all thy secret thoughts surveys.

4 By influence of the light divine
Let thine own light to others shine;
Reflect all heaven's propitious rays
In ardent love and cheerful praise.

5 Wake, and lift up thyself, my heart,
And with the angels bear thy part,
Who all night long unwearied sing
High praise to the eternal King. Amen.

'Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.' Ps. lxv. 1.

PART 2

GLORY to thee who safe hast kept,
And hast refreshed me whilst I slept;
Grant, LORD, when I from death shall wake,
I may of endless light partake.

2 LORD, I my vows to thee renew;
Scatter my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first springs of thought and will,
And with thyself my spirit fill.

3 Direct, control, suggest, this day,
All I design, or do, or say;
That all my powers, with all their might,
In thy sole glory may unite.

4 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

3

Rev. John Keble, 1822.

'His compassions fail not. They are new every morning.'
Lam. iii. 22, 23.

NEW every morning is the love
Our wakening and uprising prove;
Through sleep and darkness safely brought,
Restored to life, and power, and thought.

2 New mercies, each returning day,
Hover around us while we pray;
New perils past, new sins forgiven,
New thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

3 If on our daily course our mind
Be set to hallow all we find,
New treasures still of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

*4 Old friends, old scenes will lovelier be,
As more of heaven in each we see;
Some softening gleam of love and prayer
Shall dawn on every cross and care.

5 The trivial round, the common task,
Will furnish all we ought to ask,
Room to deny ourselves, a road
To bring us daily nearer God.

6 Only, O Lord, in thy dear love
Fit us for perfect rest above;
And help us, this and every day,
To live more nearly as we pray. Amen.

4 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin* (*5th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

'In the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee.' Ps. v. 3.

Jam lucis orto sidere.

NOW that the daylight fills the sky,
Lift we our hearts to GOD on high,
That he, in all we do or say,
Would keep us free from harm to-day.

2 May he restrain our tongues, lest strife
Break forth to mar the peace of life;
And guard with watchful care our eyes
From earth's absorbing vanities.

3 O may our inmost hearts be pure,
Our thoughts from folly kept secure,
The pride of sinful flesh subdued
By temperate use of daily food.

4 So we, when this day's work is o'er,
And shades of night return once more,
Our path of trial safely trod,
Shall give the glory to our GOD.

5 All praise to GOD the FATHER be,
All praise, Eternal SON, to thee,
Whom with the SPIRIT we adore,
One GOD, both now and evermore. Amen.

5 *Rev. Charles Wesley*, 1740.

'Unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise.' Mal. iv. 2.

CHRIST, whose glory fills the skies,
CHRIST, the true, the only Light,
Sun of righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Day-spring from on high, be near;
Day-star, in my heart appear.

2 Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
Till thy mercy's beams I see;
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3 Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, Radiancy Divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day. Amen.

6

Canon William Bright, 1867.

'Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe.' Ps. cxix. 117.

AT thy feet, O CHRIST, we lay
Thine own gift of this new day;
Doubt of what it holds in store
Makes us crave thine aid the more;
Lest it prove a time of loss,
Mark it, SAVIOUR, with thy Cross.

2 If it flow on calm and bright,
Be thyself our chief delight;
If it bring unknown distress,
Good is all that thou canst bless;
Only, while its hours begin,
Pray we, keep them clear of sin.

3 We in part our weakness know,
And in part discern our foe;
Well for us, before thine eyes
All our danger open lies;
Turn not from us, while we plead
Thy compassions and our need.

4 Fain would we thy word embrace,
Live each moment on thy grace,
All our selves to thee consign,
Fold up all our wills in thine,
Think, and speak, and do, and be
Simply that which pleases thee.

5 Hear us, LORD, and that right soon;
Hear, and grant the choicest boon
That thy love can e'er impart,
Loyal singleness of heart;
So shall this and all our days,
CHRIST our GOD, show forth thy praise. Amen.

7

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1749.

'I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.' Ps. xvi. 8.

FORTH in thy Name, O LORD, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know,
In all I think, or speak, or do.

2 The task thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works thy presence find,
And prove thy good and perfect will.

3 Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see,
And labour on at thy command,
And offer all my works to thee.

4 Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look,
And hasten to thy glorious day;

5 For thee delightfully employ
Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
And run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with thee to heaven. Amen.

8

H. V. Tebbs, 1855.

'I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.'
St. John xiv. 18.

COME to me, LORD, when first I wake,
As the faint lights of morning break;
Bid purest thoughts within me rise,
Like crystal dew-drops to the skies.

2 Come to me in the sultry noon,
Or earth's low communings will soon
Of thy dear face eclipse the light,
And change my fairest day to night.

3 Come to me in the evening shade,
And, if my heart from thee hath strayed,
O bring it back, and at thy side
Securely let me there abide.

4 Come to me in the midnight hour,
When sleep withholds its balmy power;
Let my lone spirit find her rest,
Like John, upon my SAVIOUR's breast.

5 Come to me through life's varied way,
And when its pulses cease to play,
Then, SAVIOUR, bid me come to thee,
That where thou art, thy child may be. Amen.

9

Tr. (1855) *by Jane Borthwick, from the German of Christian Knorr von Rosenroth,* 1684.

'For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory.' Ps. lxxxiv. 11.

Morgenglanz der Ewigkeit.

JESU, Sun of righteousness,
Brightest beam of love divine,
With the early morning rays
Do thou on our darkness shine,
And dispel with purest light
All our night.

2 As on drooping herb and flower
Falls the soft refreshing dew,
Let thy SPIRIT's grace and power
All our weary souls renew;
Showers of blessing over all
Softly fall.

3 Like the sun's reviving ray,
May thy love with tender glow
All our coldness melt away,
Warm and cheer us forth to go,
Gladly serve thee and obey
All the day.

4 O our only Hope and Guide,
Never leave us nor forsake;
Keep us ever at thy side
Till the eternal morning break;
Moving on to Zion's hill,
Homeward still.

5 Lead us all our days and years
In thy straight and narrow way;
Lead us through the vale of tears
To the land of perfect day,
Where thy people, fully blest,
Safely rest. Amen.

10

Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1875.

'Do all in the name of the Lord Jesus.' Col. iii. 17.

MY FATHER, for another night
Of quiet sleep and rest,
For all the joy of morning light,
Thy holy Name be blest.

2 Now with the new-born day I give
Myself anew to thee,
That as thou willest I may live,
And what thou willest be.

3 Whate'er I do, things great or small,
Whate'er I speak or frame,
Thy glory may I seek in all,
Do all in JESUS' Name.

4 My FATHER, for his sake, I pray,
Thy child accept and bless;
And lead me by thy grace to-day
In paths of righteousness. Amen.

11 *Tr.* (1899) *by Robert Bridges, in the 'Yattendon Hymnal', from St. Ambrose* (340–397).

'God . . . hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.' 2 Cor. iv. 6.

Splendor paternae gloriae.

O SPLENDOUR of GOD's glory bright,
O thou that bringest light from light,
O Light of light, light's living Spring,
O Day, all days illumining.

2 O thou true Sun, on us thy glance
Let fall in royal radiance,
The SPIRIT's sanctifying beam
Upon our earthly senses stream.

3 Our mind be in his keeping placed,
Our body true to him and chaste,
Where only faith her fire shall feed,
To burn the tares of Satan's seed.

4 Rejoicing may this day go hence,
Like virgin dawn our innocence,
Like fiery noon our faith appear,
Nor know the gloom of twilight drear.

5 Morn in her rosy car is borne;
Let him come forth our perfect Morn,
The WORD in GOD the FATHER one,
The FATHER perfect in the SON. Amen.

12

Ascr. to St. Gregory the Great (*6th cent.*)
Tr. (1906) *by Canon Percy Dearmer.*

'I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised.' Ps. xviii. 3.

Nocte surgentes.

FATHER, we praise thee, now the night is over:
Active and watchful, stand we all before thee;
Singing, we offer prayer and meditation:
Thus we adore thee.

2 Monarch of all things, fit us for thy mansions;
Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending;
Bring us to heaven, where thy Saints united
Joy without ending.

3 All-holy FATHER, SON and equal SPIRIT,
TRINITY blessèd, send us thy salvation;
Thine is the glory, gleaming and resounding
Through all creation. Amen.

13

Tr. (1863) *by Rev. Greville Phillimore from the Latin of 5th cent.*

'In the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.' Ps. v. 3.

Jam lucis orto sidere.

THE star of morn has risen:
O LORD, to thee we pray;
O uncreated Light of Light,
Guide thou our way.

2 Sinless be tongue and hand,
And innocent the mind,
Let simple truth be on our lips,
Our hearts be kind.

3 As the swift day rolls on,
Still, LORD, our Guardian be,
And keep the portals of our hearts
From evil free.

4 Grant that our daily toil
May to thy glory tend;
And as our hours begin with thee,
So may they end. Amen.

14

Frances A. Percy, 1896.

'Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice. Ps. lv. 17.

O FATHER, hear my morning prayer,
Thine aid impart to me,
That I may make my life to-day
Acceptable to thee.

2 May this desire my spirit rule,
And, as the moments fly,
Something of good be born in me,
Something of evil die;

3 Some grace, that seeks my heart to win,
With shining victory meet;
Some sin, that strives for mastery,
Find overthrow complete:

4 That so throughout the coming day
The hours may carry me
A little farther from the world,
A little nearer thee. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

364 When morning gilds the skies.
723 Every morning the red sun.
Hymns under 'Sunday', Nos. 47–56.
Hymns under 'House of Prayer', Nos. 455–469.
Ancient Office Hymns.

15 MID-DAY

Rev. John Ellerton, 1870.

'If any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.' St. John ix. 31.

BEHOLD us, LORD, a little space
From daily tasks set free,
And met within thy holy place
To rest awhile with thee.

2 Around us rolls the ceaseless tide
Of business, toil, and care;
And scarcely can we turn aside
For one brief hour of prayer.

3 Yet these are not the only walls
Wherein thou may'st be sought;
On homeliest work thy blessing falls,
In truth and patience wrought.

4 Thine is the loom, the forge, the mart,
The wealth of land and sea;
The worlds of science and of art,
Revealed and ruled by thee.

5 Then let us prove our heavenly birth
In all we do and know;
And claim the kingdom of the earth
For thee, and not thy foe.

6 Work shall be prayer, if all be wrought
As thou wouldst have it done;
And prayer, by thee inspired and taught,
Itself with work be one. Amen.

See also Ancient Office Hymns.

16 EVENING

Rev. H. F. Lyte, 1847.

'Come ye yourselves . . . and rest a while.' St. Mark vi. 31.

ABIDE with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; LORD, with me abide;
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O thou, who changest not, abide with me.

3 I need thy presence every passing hour;
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, LORD, abide with me.

4 I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness;
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

5 Hold thou thy Cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O LORD, abide with me. Amen.

17

Bishop G. W. Doane, 1824.

'Thy face, Lord, will I seek.' Ps. xxvii. 8.

SOFTLY now the light of day
Fades upon my sight away—
Free from care, from labour free,
LORD, I would commune with thee.

2 Thou, whose all-pervading eye
Nought escapes without, within,
Pardon each infirmity,
Open fault and secret sin.

3 Soon for me the light of day
Shall for ever pass away;
Then, from sin and sorrow free,
Take me, LORD, to dwell with thee.

4 Thou who, sinless, yet hast known
All of man's infirmity,
Then, from thine eternal throne,
JESU, look with pitying eye. Amen.

18

Rev. John Keble, 1820.

'When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek.' Ps. xxvii. 8.

SUN of my soul, thou SAVIOUR dear,
It is not night if thou be near;
O may no earthborn cloud arise,
To hide thee from thy servant's eyes.

2 When the soft dews of kindly sleep
My wearied eyelids gently steep,
Be my last thought, how sweet to rest
For ever on my SAVIOUR's breast.

3 Abide with me from morn till eve,
For without thee I cannot live;
Abide with me when night is nigh,
For without thee I dare not die.

4 If some poor wandering child of thine
Have spurned to-day the voice divine,
Now, LORD, the gracious work begin;
Let him no more lie down in sin.

5 Watch by the sick, enrich the poor
With blessings from thy boundless store;
Be every mourner's sleep to-night,
Like infant's slumbers, pure and light.

6 Come near and bless us when we wake,
Ere through the world our way we take,
Till in the ocean of thy love
We lose ourselves in heaven above. Amen.

19

Canon Henry Twells, 1868.

'At even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased.' St. Mark i. 32.

AT even, when the sun was set,
The sick, O LORD, around thee lay;
O in what divers pains they met!
O with what joy they went away!

2 Once more 'tis eventide, and we,
Oppressed with various ills, draw near:
What if thy form we cannot see?
We know and feel that thou art here.

3 O SAVIOUR CHRIST, our woes dispel;
For some are sick and some are sad,
And some have never loved thee well,
And some have lost the love they had;

4 And some have found the world is vain,
Yet from the world they break not free;
And some have friends who give them pain,
Yet have not sought a friend in thee;

5 And none, O LORD, have perfect rest,
For none are wholly free from sin;
And they who fain would serve thee best,
Are conscious most of wrong within.

6 O SAVIOUR CHRIST, thou too art Man;
Thou hast been troubled, tempted, tried;
Thy kind but searching glance can scan
The very wounds that shame would hide.

7 Thy touch has still its ancient power;
No word from thee can fruitless fall;
Hear in this solemn evening hour,
And in thy mercy heal us all. Amen.

20

Bishop Thomas Ken, 1692.

'The children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.' Ps. xxxvi. 7.

GLORY to thee, my GOD, this night
For all the blessings of the light;
Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,
Beneath thine own almighty wings.

2 Forgive me, LORD, for thy dear SON,
The ill that I this day have done,
That with the world, myself, and thee,
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

3 Teach me to live, that I may dread
The grave as little as my bed;
Teach me to die, that so I may
Rise glorious at the aweful day.

4 O may my soul on thee repose,
And may sweet sleep mine eyelids close,
Sleep that shall me more vigorous make
To serve my GOD when I awake.

5 When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heavenly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No powers of darkness me molest.

6 Praise GOD, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST. Amen.

21

Tr. (1858) *from the Latin* (*c.* 18*th cent.*) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'Let . . . the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.' Ps. cxli. 2.

Sol praeceps rapitur.

THE sun is sinking fast,
The daylight dies;
Let love awake, and pay
Her evening sacrifice.

2 As CHRIST upon the Cross
His head inclined,
And to his FATHER's hands
His parting soul resigned,

3 So now herself my soul
Would wholly give
Into his sacred charge,
In whom all spirits live;

4 So now beneath his eye
Would calmly rest,
Without a wish or thought,
Abiding in the breast,

5 Save that his will be done,
Whate'er betide,
Dead to herself, and dead
In him to all beside.

6 Thus would I live; yet now
Not I, but he
In all his power and love
Henceforth alive in me.

7 One sacred TRINITY!
One LORD Divine!
May I be ever his,
And he for ever mine. Amen.

22

Rev. R. H. Robinson, 1869.

'At evening time it shall be light.' Zech. xiv. 7.

HOLY FATHER, cheer our way
With thy love's perpetual ray;
Grant us every closing day
Light at evening time.

2 Holy SAVIOUR, calm our fears
When earth's brightness disappears;
Grant us in our latter years
Light at evening time.

3 Holy SPIRIT, be thou nigh
When in mortal pains we lie;
Grant us, as we come to die,
Light at evening time.

4 Holy, Blessèd TRINITY,
Darkness is not dark with thee;
Those thou keepest always see
Light at evening time. Amen.

23 *v.* 1, *Bishop R. Heber*, 1827; *v.* 2, *Archbishop Whately*, 1838.

'He shall give his angels charge over thee.' Ps. xci. 11.

GOD, that madest earth and heaven,
Darkness and light;
Who the day for toil hast given,
For rest the night;
May thine angel-guards defend us,
Slumber sweet thy mercy send us,
Holy dreams and hopes attend us,
This livelong night.

2 Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,
And, when we die,
May we in thy mighty keeping
All peaceful lie:
When the last dread call shall wake us,
Do not thou our GOD forsake us,
But to reign in glory take us
With thee on high. Amen.

24 *James Edmeston*, 1820; *vv.* 4, 5, *Bishop E. H. Bickersteth*, 1870.

'Kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.' 1 Peter i. 5.

SAVIOUR, breathe an evening blessing,
Ere repose our spirits seal;
Sin and want we come confessing,
Thou canst save and thou canst heal.

2 Though the night be dark and dreary,
  Darkness cannot hide from thee;
Thou art he, who never weary
  Watchest where thy people be.

3 Though destruction walk around us,
  Though the arrow past us fly,
Angel-guards from thee surround us,
  We are safe, if thou art nigh.

4 FATHER, to thy holy keeping
  Humbly we ourselves resign;
SAVIOUR, who hast slept our sleeping,
  Make our slumbers pure as thine;

5 Blessèd SPIRIT, brooding o'er us,
  Chase the darkness of our night,
Till the perfect day before us
  Breaks in everlasting light. Amen.

25

James Ashcroft Noble, 1887.

'They constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening.' St. Luke xxiv. 29.

LORD JESUS, in the days of old,
Two walked with thee by waning light,
And love's blind instinct made them bold
  To crave thy presence through the night;
As night descends, we too would pray,
O leave us not at close of day.

2 Did not their hearts within them burn?
  And though their LORD they failed to know,
Did not their spirits inly yearn?
  They could not let the Stranger go.
Much more must we who know thee pray:
O leave us not at close of day.

3 Day is far spent and night is nigh;
Stay with us, SAVIOUR, through the night;
Talk with us, teach us tenderly,
Lead us to peace, to rest, to light;
Dispel our darkness with thy face,
Radiant with resurrection grace.

4 The hours of day are glad and good,
And good the gifts thy hand bestows—
The body's health, the spirit's food,
And rest, and after rest repose.
We would not lose day's golden gains,
So stay with us as daylight wanes.

5 Nor this night only, blessèd LORD;
We every day and every hour
Would walk with thee Emmausward,
To hear thy voice of love and power;
And every night would by thy side
Look, listen, and be satisfied. Amen.

26

Rev. John Ellerton, 1880.

'God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.' St. John iv. 24.

BEFORE the day draws near its ending,
And evening steals o'er earth and sky,
Once more to thee our hymns ascending
Shall speak thy praises, LORD Most High.

2 Thy Name is blessed by countless numbers
In vaster worlds unseen, unknown,
Whose duteous service never slumbers,
In perfect love and faultless tone.

3 Yet thou wilt not despise the weakest
Who here in spirit bend the knee;
Thy CHRIST hath said, 'Thou, FATHER, seekest
For such as these to worship thee.'

4 And through the swell of chanting voices,
The blended notes of age and youth,
Thine ear discerns, thy love rejoices,
When hearts rise up to thee in truth.

5 O Light all clear, O Truth most holy,
O boundless Mercy pardoning all,
Before thy feet, abashed and lowly,
With one last prayer thy children fall:—

6 When we no more on earth adore thee,
And others worship here in turn,
O may we sing that song before thee,
Which none but thy redeemed can learn.
Amen.

27

Rev. John Ellerton, 1870.

'From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the Lord's name is to be praised.' Ps. cxiii. 3.

THE day thou gavest, LORD, is ended,
The darkness falls at thy behest;
To thee our morning hymns ascended,
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

2 We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
While earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping,
And rests not now by day or night.

3 As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

4 The sun that bids us rest is waking
Our brethren 'neath the western sky,
And hour by hour fresh lips are making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

5 So be it, LORD; thy throne shall never,
Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
Thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
Till all thy creatures own thy sway. Amen.

28

Tr. (1870) *from the Latin of St. Ambrose* (340–397) *by Rev. John Ellerton and Rev. F. J. A. Hort.*

'The Lord is their strength.' Ps. xxviii. 8.

Rerum Deus tenax vigor.

O STRENGTH and Stay upholding all creation,
Who ever dost thyself unmoved abide,
Yet day by day the light in due gradation
From hour to hour through all its changes guide;

2 Grant to life's day a calm unclouded ending,
An eve untouched by shadows of decay;
The brightness of a holy death-bed blending
With dawning glories of the eternal day.

3 Hear us, O FATHER, gracious and forgiving,
Through JESUS CHRIST thy co-eternal WORD,
Who, with the HOLY GHOST, by all things living
Now and to endless ages art adored. Amen.

29

Rev. William H. Bathurst, 1831.

'Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!' Numbers xxiii. 10.

HOW sweet the hour of closing day!
When all is peaceful and serene,
And the broad sun's retiring ray
Sheds a mild lustre o'er the scene.

2 Such is the Christian's parting hour,
So peacefully he sinks to rest;
And faith, rekindling all its power,
Lights up the languor of his breast.

3 A beam from heaven is sent to cheer
The pilgrim on his gloomy road;
And angels are attending near,
To bear him to their bright abode.

4 O LORD, that we may thus depart,
Thy joys to share, thy face to see,
Impress thine image on our heart,
And teach us now to walk with thee. Amen.

30

Harriet Parr, 1856.

'My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.'
Exodus xxxiii. 14.

HEAR our prayer, O heavenly FATHER,
Ere we lay us down to sleep;
May thine angels, pure and holy,
Round our bed their vigil keep.

2 Heavy though our sins, thy mercy
Far outweighs them every one;
Down before the Cross we cast them,
Trusting in thy help alone.

3 None can measure out thy patience
By the span of human thought;
None can bound the tender mercies
Which thy Holy SON has bought.

4 Pardon all our past transgressions,
Give us strength for days to come;
Guide and guard us with thy blessing
Till thine angels bear us home.

5 Honour, glory, might, dominion,
To the FATHER and the SON,
With the Everlasting SPIRIT,
While eternal ages run. Amen.

31

Rev. Godfrey Thring, 1864.

'There shall be no night there.' Rev. xxi. 25.

THE radiant morn hath passed away,
And spent too soon her golden store;
The shadows of departing day
Creep on once more.

2 Our life is but an autumn sun,
Its glorious noon how quickly past;
Lead us, O CHRIST, our life-work done,
Safe home at last.

3 O by thy soul-inspiring grace
Uplift our hearts to realms on high:
Help us to look to that bright place
Beyond the sky;

4 Where light, and life, and joy, and peace,
In undivided empire reign,
And thronging angels never cease
Their deathless strain;

5 Where saints are clothed in spotless white,
And evening shadows never fall;
Where thou, Eternal Light of Light,
Art LORD of all. Amen.

32

Rev. Thomas Tiplady, 1933.

'He giveth his beloved sleep.' Ps. cxxvii. 2.

NIGHT has drawn its curtains
Round a world asleep,
And, with lanterns lighted,
Silent watch doth keep.

2 Sleep now give to all men,
Who, their duties done,
Now retire from labour
With the setting sun.

3 Sickness, care, and sorrow,
Gracious LORD, abate,
And to dark foreboding
Close sweet slumber's gate.

4 Those upon night duty
Bless, LORD, everywhere;
As they share thy watching,
May they share thy care.

Rev. S. Baring-Gould, 1865.

5 Glory to the FATHER,
Glory to the SON,
And to thee, blest SPIRIT,
Whilst all ages run. Amen.

33

Tr. (1834) *from the Greek* (*c.* 3*rd cent.*) *by Rev. John Keble.*

'The light shineth in darkness.' St. John i. 5.

Φῶς ἱλαρόν.

HAIL, gladdening Light, of his pure glory poured
Who is the Immortal FATHER, heavenly, blest,
Holiest of Holies, JESUS CHRIST, our LORD.

2 Now we are come to the sun's hour of rest,
The lights of evening round us shine,
We hymn the FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT Divine.

3 Worthiest art thou at all times to be sung
With undefilèd tongue,
Son of our GOD, Giver of life, alone!
Therefore in all the world thy glories, LORD, they own. Amen.

34

Greek Hymn (c. 3rd cent.): Tr. by Robert Bridges in the 'Yattendon Hymnal', 1899.

'We beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father.' St. John i. 14.

Φῶς ἱλαρόν.

O GLADSOME Light, O Grace
Of GOD the FATHER's face,
The eternal splendour wearing;
Celestial, holy, blest,
Our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST,
Joyful in thine appearing.

2 Now, ere day fadeth quite,
We see the evening light,
Our wonted hymn outpouring;
FATHER of might unknown,
Thee, his incarnate SON,
And HOLY GHOST adoring.

3 To thee of right belongs
All praise of holy songs,
O SON of GOD, Lifegiver;
Thee, therefore, O Most High,
The world doth glorify,
And shall exalt for ever. Amen.

35

Rev. Thomas Kelly, 1806.

'The Lord is thy keeper.' Ps. cxxi. 5.

THROUGH the day thy love has spared us;
Now we lay us down to rest;
Through the silent watches guard us,
Let no foe our peace molest:
JESUS, thou our Guardian be;
Sweet it is to trust in thee.

2 Pilgrims here on earth, and strangers,
Dwelling in the midst of foes;
Us and ours preserve from dangers;
In thine arms may we repose,
And, when life's brief day is past,
Rest with thee in heaven at last. Amen.

36

Tr. (1862) *from the Greek of Anatolius, 8th cent., by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.' Ps. iv. 8.

Τὴν ἡμέραν διελθών.

THE day is past and over;
All thanks, O LORD, to thee;
I pray thee now that sinless
The hours of dark may be:
O JESU, keep me in thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

2 The joys of day are over;
I lift my heart to thee,
And ask thee that offenceless
The hours of dark may be:
O JESU, keep me in thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

3 The toils of day are over;
I raise the hymn to thee,
And ask that free from peril
The hours of dark may be:
O JESU, keep me in thy sight,
And guard me through the coming night.

4 Be thou my soul's preserver,
For thou alone dost know
How many are the perils
Through which I have to go:
O loving JESU, hear my call,
And guard and save me from them all. Amen.

37

Tr. (1837) *from the Latin of C. Coffin* (1736) *by Rev. John Chandler.*

'Look Thou upon me, and be merciful unto me.'
Ps. cxix. 132.

Labente jam solis rota.

AS now the sun's declining rays
At eventide descend,
So life's brief day is sinking down
To its appointed end.

2 LORD, on the Cross thine arms were stretched
To draw thy people nigh;
O grant us then that Cross to love,
And in those arms to die.

3 All glory to the FATHER be,
All glory to the SON,
All glory, HOLY GHOST, to thee,
While endless ages run. Amen.

38

Rev. John Ellerton, 1870.

'The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in.'
Ps. cxxi. 8.

THE LORD be with us as we bend
His blessing to receive;
His gift of peace upon us send,
Before his courts we leave.

2 The LORD be with us as we walk
Along our homeward road;
In silent thought, or friendly talk
Our hearts be still with GOD.

3 The LORD be with us till the night
Shall close the day of rest;
Be he of every heart the Light,
Of every home the Guest.

4 And when our nightly prayers we say,
His watch he still shall keep,
Crown with his grace his own blest day,
And guard his people's sleep. Amen.

39

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1852.

'The Lord is my light and my salvation.'
Ps. xxvii. 1.

SWEET SAVIOUR, bless us ere we go;
Thy word into our minds instil,
And make our lukewarm hearts to glow
With lowly love and fervent will.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle JESU, be our Light.

2 The day is gone, its hours have run,
And thou hast taken count of all,
The scanty triumphs grace hath won,
The broken vow, the frequent fall.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle JESU, be our Light.

3 Grant us, dear LORD, from evil ways
True absolution and release;
And bless us, more than in past days,
With purity and inward peace.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle JESU, be our Light.

4 Do more than pardon; give us joy,
Sweet fear, and sober liberty,
And simple hearts without alloy
That only long to be like thee.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle JESU, be our Light.

5 For all we love, the poor, the sad,
The sinful, unto thee we call;
O let thy mercy make us glad:
Thou art our JESUS and our All.
Through life's long day and death's dark night,
O gentle JESU, be our Light. Amen.

40

William Romanis, 1903.

'I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.' Ps. iv. 8.

ROUND me falls the night;
SAVIOUR, be my light:
Through the hours in darkness shrouded
Let me see thy face unclouded;
Let thy glory shine
In this heart of mine.

2 Earthly work is done,
Earthly sounds are none;
Rest in sleep and silence seeking,
Let me hear thee softly speaking;
In my spirit's ear
Whisper, 'I am near.'

3 Blessèd, heavenly Light,
Shining through earth's night;
Voice, that oft of love hast told me;
Arms, so strong to clasp and hold me;
Thou thy watch wilt keep,
SAVIOUR, o'er my sleep. Amen.

41

Rev. John Ellerton, 1866.

'The Lord will bless his people with peace.' Ps. xxix. 11.

SAVIOUR, again to thy dear Name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
We stand to bless thee ere our worship cease,
Then, lowly kneeling, wait thy word of peace.

2 Grant us thy peace upon our homeward way;
With thee began, with thee shall end the day;
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon thy Name.

3 Grant us thy peace, LORD, through the coming night;
Turn thou for us its darkness into light;
From harm and danger keep thy children free,
For dark and light are both alike to thee.

4 Grant us thy peace throughout our earthly life,
Our balm in sorrow, and our stay in strife;
Then, when thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
Call us, O LORD, to thine eternal peace. Amen.

42

Rev. S. Baring-Gould, 1865.

'Thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.' Ps. iv. 8.

NOW the day is over,
Night is drawing nigh,
Shadows of the evening
Steal across the sky.

2 Now the darkness gathers,
Stars their watches keep,
Birds, and beasts, and flowers
Soon will be asleep.

3 JESU, give the weary
Calm and sweet repose;
With thy tenderest blessing
May mine eyelids close.

4 Grant to little children
Visions bright of thee;
Guard the sailors tossing
On the deep blue sea.

5 Comfort every sufferer
Watching late in pain;
Those who plan some evil
From their sin restrain.

6 Through the long night watches
May thine angels spread
Their white wings above me,
Watching round my bed.

7 When the morning wakens,
Then may I arise
Pure, and fresh, and sinless
In thy holy eyes.

8 Glory to the FATHER,
Glory to the SON,
And to thee, blest SPIRIT,
Whilst all ages run. Amen.

43

John Leland, 1792.

'He shall give his angels charge over thee.' Ps. xci. 11.

LORD, keep us safe this night,
Secure from all our fears;
May angels guard us while we sleep,
Till morning light appears. Amen.

44

Tr. (1935) *from the German of Paul Gerhardt*, 1649, *by Dean D. F. R. Wilson.*

'I am the light of the world.' St. John viii. 12.

Nun ruhen alle Wälder.

THE day hath now an ending,
O Light, all light transcending,
Be with us as we pray;
O stay thou close beside us,
JESUS, our SAVIOUR, hide us,
Until earth's shadows flee away.

2 And then, for those, our nearest,
Our friends belov'd and dearest,
GOD keep you in his sight!
His angel-guards attend you,
His sheltering arms defend you,
Till morning breaks with golden light. Amen.

45 *Tr.* (1863) *by Catherine Winkworth from the German of Rev. Petrus Herbert,* 1566.

'I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless.' 1 Thess. v. 23.

Die Nacht ist kommen.

NOW GOD be with us, for the night is closing;
The light and darkness are of his disposing,
And 'neath his shadow here to rest we yield us,
For he will shield us.

2 Let evil thoughts and spirits flee before us;
Till morning cometh, watch, O FATHER, o'er us;
In soul and body thou from harm defend us;
Thine angels send us.

3 Let holy thoughts be ours when sleep o'ertakes us;
Our earliest thoughts be thine when morning wakes us;
Serving thee only, and in all our doing
Thy praise pursuing.

4 We have no refuge; none on earth to aid us
Save thee, O FATHER, who thine own hast made us;
But thy dear presence will not leave them lonely
Who seek thee only.

5 FATHER, thy Name be praised, thy Kingdom given,
Thy will be done on earth as 'tis in heaven;
Keep us, forgive us, and from ill deliver
Us now and ever. Amen.

46 *Rev. John Purchas*, 1866.

'And the work of righteousness shall be peace.'
Isa. xxxii. 17.

EVENSONG is hushed in silence,
And the hour of rest is nigh:
Strengthen us for work to-morrow,
Son of Mary, GOD most high.
Thou who in the village workshop,
Fashioning the yoke and plough,
Didst eat bread by daily labour,
Succour them that labour now.
Treading the path of life-long toil,
And weary of pain and sin,
We look for the city with streets of gold,
Where all is peace within.

2 How are we to reach that city,
Whose delights no tongue may tell?
By the faith that looks to JESUS,
By a life of doing well:
Sinful men and sinful women,
He will wash our sins away;
He will take us to the Sheepfold,
Whence no sheep can ever stray.
Treading the path of life-long toil.

3 There the dear ones who have left us
We shall some day meet again;
There will be no bitter partings,
No more sorrow, death or pain.
Evensong has closed in silence,
And the hour of rest is nigh:
Lighten thou our darkness, JESU,
Son of Mary, GOD most high.
Treading the path of life-long toil,
And weary of pain and sin,
We look for the city with streets of gold,
Where all is peace within. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

52 And now this holy day.
54 Our day of praise is done.
56 Blest Creator of the light.
456 Again, as evening's shadow falls.
461 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing.
509 And now the wants are told.
511 When the day of toil is done.
519 Lead, kindly Light.
531 The roseate hues of early dawn.
560 May the grace of Christ our Saviour.
568 Be thou my vision.
637 Stars of evening, softly gleaming.
648 Day is dying in the west.
666 One sweetly solemn thought.
696 Jesu, tender Shepherd, hear me.
700 Now the light has gone away.
811 Close of Day.

Also Ancient Office Hymns.

SUNDAY

47 *Bishop Christopher Wordsworth*, 1862.

'Ye shall find rest for your souls.' Jeremiah vi. 16.

O DAY of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness,
Most beautiful, most bright;
On thee the high and lowly,
Before the eternal throne,
Sing Holy, Holy, Holy,
To the great THREE in ONE.

2 On thee, at the creation,
The light first had its birth;
On thee for our salvation
CHRIST rose from depths of earth;
On thee our LORD victorious
The SPIRIT sent from heaven;
And thus on thee most glorious
A triple light was given.

3 Thou art a port protected
From storms that round thee rise;
A garden intersected
With streams of Paradise;
Thou art a cooling fountain
In life's dry dreary sand;
From thee, like Pisgah's mountain,
We view our promised land.

4 To-day on weary nations
The heavenly manna falls,
To holy convocations
The silver trumpet calls,
Where gospel-light is glowing
With pure and radiant beams,
And living water flowing
With soul-refreshing streams.

5 May we, new graces gaining
From this our day of rest,
Attain the rest remaining
To spirits of the blest;
And there our voices raising,
To FATHER, SPIRIT, SON,
For evermore be praising
The blessèd THREE in ONE. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 92

48 *Rev. Isaac Watts*, 1719.

'It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High.' Ps. xcii. 1.

SWEET is the work, my GOD, my King,
To praise thy Name, give thanks, and sing;
To show thy love by morning light,
And talk of all thy truth at night.

2 Sweet is the day of sacred rest;
No mortal cares shall seize my breast;
O may my heart in tune be found,
Like David's harp of solemn sound.

3 My heart shall triumph in my LORD,
And bless his works and bless his Word;
Thy works of grace, how bright they shine!
How deep thy counsels, how divine!

4 Then shall I see, and hear, and know
All I desired or wished below;
And every power find sweet employ
In that eternal world of joy. Amen.

49

Rev. John Ellerton, 1874.

'I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.' Ps. cxxii. 1.

AGAIN, O loving SAVIOUR,
The children of thy grace
Prepare themselves to seek thee
Within thy chosen place.
Our song shall rise to greet thee,
If thou our hearts wilt raise;
If thou our lips wilt open,
Our mouth shall show thy praise.

Glory be to JESUS,
Let all his children say;
He rose again, he rose again
On this glad day.

2 The shining choir of angels
That rest not day or night,
The crowned and palm-decked martyrs,
The saints arrayed in white,

The happy lambs of JESUS
In pastures fair above—
These all adore and praise him,
Whom we too praise and love.
Glory be to JESUS.

3 The Church on earth rejoices
To join with these to-day;
In every tongue and nation
She calls her sons to pray;
Across the northern snow-fields,
Beneath the Indian palms,
She makes the same pure offering,
And sings the same sweet psalms.
Glory be to JESUS.

4 Tell out, sweet bells, his praises!
Sing, children, sing his Name!
Still louder and still farther
His mighty deeds proclaim,
Till all whom he redeemèd
Shall own him LORD and King,
Till every knee shall worship,
And every tongue shall sing,
Glory be to JESUS,
Let all creation say;
He rose again, he rose again
On this glad day. Amen.

50 *vv.* 1, 2, *Rev. Thomas Cotterill,* 1810;
v. 3, *Elizabeth Scott,* 1769.

'The Lord is risen indeed.' St. Luke xxiv. 34.

SERVANTS of GOD, awake,
To hail this sacred day,
And in glad songs of praise
Your grateful homage pay;
Come, bless the day that GOD hath blest,
The type of heaven's eternal rest.

2 Upon this happy morn
The LORD of life arose;
He burst the bonds of death,
And vanquished all our foes;
And now he pleads our cause above,
And reaps the fruit of all his love.

3 All hail, triumphant LORD!
Heaven with hosanna rings,
And earth in humbler strains
Thy praise responsive sings;
Worthy the Lamb, that once was slain,
Through endless years to live and reign! Amen.

51

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719.

'This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.' Ps. cxviii. 24.

THIS is the day the LORD hath made,
He calls the hours his own;
Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad,
And praise surround the throne.

2 To-day he rose and left the dead,
And Satan's empire fell;
To-day the saints his triumph spread,
And all his wonders tell.

3 Hosanna to the anointed King,
To David's holy Son!
Help us, O LORD, descend and bring
Salvation from thy throne.

4 Hosanna in the highest strains
The Church on earth can raise;
The highest heavens in which he reigns
Shall give him nobler praise. Amen.

52 EVENING.

Rev. E. Harland, 1876.

'Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.' 1 Chron. xxix. 13.

AND now this holy day
Is drawing to its end;
Once more to thee, O LORD,
Our thanks and prayers we send.

2 We thank thee for this rest
From earthly care and strife;
We thank thee for this help
To higher, holier life.

3 We thank thee for thy house;
It is thy palace-gate
Where thou, upon thy throne
Of mercy, still dost wait.

4 We thank thee for thy Word,
Thy gospel's joyful sound;
O may its holy fruits
Within our hearts abound!

5 Yet, ere we go to rest,
FATHER, to thee we pray,
Forgive the sins that stain
E'en this thy holy day.

6 Through JESUS let the past
Be blotted from thy sight,
And let us all now sleep
At peace with thee this night.

7 To GOD the FATHER, SON,
And SPIRIT glory be,
From all in earth and heaven,
Through all eternity. Amen.

53 *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1867.

'The Lord's day.' Rev. i. 10.

THIS is the day of light:
Let there be light to-day;
O Day-spring, rise upon our night,
And chase its gloom away.

2 This is the day of rest:
Our failing strength renew;
On weary brain and troubled breast
Shed thou thy freshening dew.

3 This is the day of peace:
Thy peace our spirits fill;
Bid thou the blasts of discord cease,
The waves of strife be still.

4 This is the day of prayer:
Let earth to heaven draw near;
Lift up our hearts to seek thee there,
Come down to meet us here.

5 This is the first of days:
Send forth thy quickening breath,
And wake dead souls to love and praise,
O Vanquisher of death. Amen.

54 EVENING. *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1867, *rev.* 1871.

'Continuing daily . . . in the temple . . . praising God.' Acts ii. 46, 47.

OUR day of praise is done;
The evening shadows fall;
But pass not from us with the sun,
True Light that lightenest all.

2 Around the throne on high,
Where night can never be,
The white-robed harpers of the sky
Bring ceaseless hymns to thee.

3 Too faint our anthems here;
Too soon of praise we tire:
But oh, the strains how full and clear
Of that eternal choir!

4 Yet, LORD, to thy dear will
If thou attune the heart,
We in thine angels' music still
May bear our lower part.

5 'Tis thine each soul to calm,
Each wayward thought reclaim,
And make our life a daily psalm
Of glory to thy Name.

6 A little while, and then
Shall come the glorious end;
And songs of angels and of men
In perfect praise shall blend. Amen.

55

Tr. (1861) *from the Latin Le Mans Breviary* (1748) *by Rev. Sir H. W. Baker.*

'And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.'
Gen. i. 3.

Die parente temporum.

ON this day, the first of days,
GOD the FATHER's Name we praise;
Who, creation's LORD and Spring,
Did the world from darkness bring.

2 On this day the Eternal SON
Over death his triumph won;
On this day the SPIRIT came
With his gifts of living flame.

3 O that fervent love to-day
May in every heart have sway,
Teaching us to praise aright
GOD the Source of life and light.

4 FATHER, who didst fashion me
Image of thyself to be,
Fill me with thy love divine,
Let my every thought be thine.

5 Holy JESU, may I be
Dead and buried here with thee;
And, by love inflamed, arise
Unto thee a sacrifice.

6 Thou, who dost all gifts impart,
Shine, sweet SPIRIT, in my heart;
Best of gifts thyself bestow;
Make me burn thy love to know.

7 GOD, the blessèd THREE in ONE,
Dwell within my heart alone;
Thou dost give thyself to me,
May I give myself to thee. Amen.

56 EVENING. *Tr.* (1837) *from the Latin* (*c. 5th cent.*) *by Rev. John Chandler.*

'Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven.'
St. Matt. vi. 20.

Lucis Creator optime.

BLEST Creator of the light,
Making day with radiance bright,
Thou didst o'er the forming earth
Give the golden light its birth.

2 Shade of eve with morning ray
Took from thee the name of day;
Darkness now is drawing nigh;
Listen to our humble cry.

3 May we ne'er by guilt depressed
Lose the way to endless rest;
Nor with idle thoughts and vain
Bind our souls to earth again.

4 Rather may we heavenward rise
Where eternal treasure lies;
Purified by grace within,
Hating every deed of sin.

5 Holy FATHER, hear our cry
Through thy SON our LORD most high,
Whom our thankful hearts adore
With the SPIRIT evermore. Amen.

For a different translation see Ancient Office Hymns, No. 8.

WEEK DAYS

57 WEDNESDAY

Rev. John Ellerton, 1871.

'For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.' St. Matt. xviii. 20.

THOU, in whose Name the two or three
Are met to-day to meet with thee,
Fulfil to us thine own sure word,
And be thou here thyself, O LORD.

2 To-day, our week, but now begun,
Already half its course hath run;
To thee are known its toils and cares,
To thee its trials and its snares.

3 Thou by whose grace alone we live,
Our oft-repeated sins forgive;
Be thou our counsel, strength, and stay,
Through all the perils of our way.

4 Give thankful hearts thy gifts to share;
Give steadfast wills thy cross to bear;
And when life's working days are past
Give rest with all thy saints at last. Amen.

58 FRIDAY.

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1871.

'Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.' St. Matt. xvi. 24.

O JESU, crucified for man,
O Lamb, all glorious on thy throne,
Teach thou our wondering souls to scan
The mystery of thy love unknown.

2 We pray thee, grant us strength to take
Our daily cross, whate'er it be,
And gladly, for thine own dear sake,
In paths of pain to follow thee.

3 As on our daily way we go,
Through light or shade, in calm or strife,
O may we bear thy marks below
In conquered sin and chastened life.

4 And week by week this day we ask
That holy memories of thy Cross
May sanctify each common task,
And turn to gain each earthly loss.

5 Grant us, dear LORD, our cross to bear
Till at thy feet we lay it down,
From warfare pass to triumph there,
And through the cross attain the crown.
Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

545 There is a green hill far away.
590 The head that once was crowned.
593 When I survey the wondrous Cross.
594 We sing the praise of him who died.

Also Nos. 132–149, Hymns on the Passion.

59

Tr. (1837) *from C. Coffin* (1736) *by Rev. John Chandler.*

'Behold, thy King cometh unto thee.' St. Matt. xxi. 5.

Instantis adventum Dei.

THE Advent of our King
Our prayers must now employ,
And we must hymns of welcome sing
In strains of holy joy.

2 The Everlasting SON
Incarnate deigns to be;
Himself a servant's form puts on,
To set his servants free.

3 Daughter of Sion, rise
To meet thy lowly King;
Nor let thy faithless heart despise
The peace he comes to bring.

4 As Judge, on clouds of light,
He soon will come again,
And his true members all unite
With him in heaven to reign.

5 Before the dawning day
Let sin's dark deeds be gone;
The old man all be put away,
The new man all put on.

6 All glory to the SON,
Who comes to set us free,
With FATHER, SPIRIT, ever One,
Through all eternity. Amen.

60

Rev. John Cennick and Rev. Charles Wesley, altd. Rev. M. Madan, 1760.

'Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him.' Rev. i. 7.

LO! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia!
CHRIST appears on earth again.

2 Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing,
Shall the true Messiah see.

3 Those dear tokens of his Passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers;
With what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!

4 Now redemption, long expected,
See in solemn pomp appear;
All his saints, by man rejected,
Now shall meet him in the air:
Alleluia!
See the day of GOD appear.

5 Yea, amen, let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
SAVIOUR, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
Alleluia!
Thou shalt reign, and thou alone. Amen.

61 *Rev. Godfrey Thring*, 1862.

'I will come again, and receive you unto myself.'
St. John xiv. 3.

JESUS came—the heavens adoring—
Came with peace from realms on high;
JESUS came for man's redemption,
Lowly came on earth to die:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Came in deep humility.

2 JESUS comes again in mercy,
When our hearts are bowed with care:
JESUS comes again in answer
To our earnest heart-felt prayer;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Comes to save us from despair.

3 JESUS comes to hearts rejoicing,
Bringing news of sins forgiven;
JESUS comes in sounds of gladness,
Leading souls redeemed to heaven;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Now the gate of death is riven.

4 JESUS comes on clouds triumphant,
When the heavens shall pass away;
JESUS comes again in glory;
Let us then our homage pay,
Alleluia! ever singing
Till the dawn of endless day. Amen.

62 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin* (12*th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'The Redeemer shall come to Zion.' Isa. lix. 20.

Veni, veni, Emmanuel.

O COME, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the SON of GOD appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

2 O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

3 O come, thou Day-spring, come and cheer
Our spirits by thine Advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

4 O come, thou Key of David, come,
And open wide our heavenly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

5 O come, O come, thou LORD of might,
Who to thy tribes, from Sinai's height,
In ancient time didst give the law
In cloud, and majesty, and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel. Amen.

63

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin of 6th cent. by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'Now it is high time to awake out of sleep.' Rom. xiii. 11.

Vox clara ecce intonat.

HARK! a herald voice is sounding;
'CHRIST is nigh,' it seems to say;
'Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!'

2 Wakened by the solemn warning,
Let the earth-bound soul arise;
CHRIST, her Sun, all sloth dispelling,
Shines upon the morning skies.

3 Lo! the Lamb, so long expected,
Comes with pardon down from heaven;
Let us all, with tears of sorrow,
Pray that we may be forgiven;

4 That when next he comes with glory,
And the world is wrapped in fear,
With his mercy he may shield us,
And with words of love draw near.

5 Honour, glory, might, and blessing
To the FATHER and the SON,
With the Everlasting SPIRIT,
While eternal ages run. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALMS 85, 86

64 *John Milton* (*cento*), 1648.

'The coming of the Lord draweth nigh.' James v. 8.

THE LORD will come and not be slow,
His footsteps cannot err;
Before him righteousness shall go,
His royal harbinger.
Truth from the earth, like to a flower,
Shall bud and blossom then;
And justice, from her heavenly bower,
Look down on mortal men.

2 Surely to such as do him fear
Salvation is at hand!
And glory shall ere long appear
To dwell within our land.
Rise, GOD, judge thou the earth in might,
This wicked earth redress;
For thou art he who shall by right
The nations all possess.

3 The nations all whom thou hast made
Shall come, and all shall frame
To bow them low before thee, LORD,
And glorify thy Name.

For great thou art, and wonders great
By thy strong hand are done:
Thou in thy everlasting seat
Remainest GOD alone. Amen.

65

Rev. P. Doddridge, 1735.

'The acceptable year of the Lord.' St. Luke iv. 19.

HARK the glad sound! the SAVIOUR comes,
The SAVIOUR promised long:
Let every heart prepare a throne,
And every voice a song.

2 He comes, the prisoners to release
In Satan's bondage held;
The gates of brass before him burst,
The iron fetters yield.

3 He comes, the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure,
And with the treasures of his grace
To bless the humble poor.

4 Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
Thy welcome shall proclaim;
And heaven's eternal arches ring
With thy belovèd Name. Amen.

66

Tr. (1851) *from the Latin* (*c. 6th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'The world was made by him.... He came unto his own.' St. John i. 10, 11.

Conditor alme siderum.

CREATOR of the starry height,
Thy people's everlasting Light,
JESU, Redeemer of us all,
Hear thou thy servants when they call.

2 Thou, sorrowing at the helpless cry
Of all creation doomed to die,
Didst save our lost and guilty race
By healing gifts of heavenly grace.

3 Thou cam'st, the Bridegroom of the bride,
As drew the world to eventide;
Proceeding from a virgin-shrine,
The spotless Victim all divine.

4 At thy great Name, exalted now,
All knees in lowly homage bow;
All things in heaven and earth adore,
And own thee King for evermore.

5 To thee, O Holy One, we pray,
Our Judge in that tremendous day,
Ward off, while yet we dwell below,
The weapons of our crafty foe.

6 To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Praise, honour, might, and glory be
From age to age eternally. Amen.

67

Tr. (1837) *from C. Coffin* (1736) *by Rev. John Chandler.*

'Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'
St. Matt. iii. 3.

Jordanis oras praevia.

ON Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Awake, and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings of the King of kings.

2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
Make straight the way for God within;
Prepare we in our hearts a home,
Where such a mighty Guest may come.

3 For thou art our Salvation, LORD,
Our Refuge, and our great Reward;
Without thy grace we waste away,
Like flowers that wither and decay.

4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
And bid the fallen sinner stand;
Shine forth, and let thy light restore
Earth's own true loveliness once more.

5 All praise, Eternal SON, to thee
Whose Advent doth thy people free,
Whom with the FATHER we adore
And HOLY GHOST for evermore. Amen.

68 *v.* 1 (1802), *vv.* 2–4 (1812), *Rev. W. B. Collyer and others.*

'The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout.' 1 Thess. iv. 16.

GREAT GOD, what do I see and hear?
The end of things created:
The Judge of all men doth appear
On clouds of glory seated:
The trumpet sounds, the graves restore
The dead which they contained before;
Prepare, my soul, to meet him.

2 The dead in CHRIST are first to rise
At that last trumpet's sounding;
Caught up to meet him in the skies,
With joy their LORD surrounding:
No gloomy fears their souls dismay;
His presence sheds eternal day
On those prepared to meet him.

3 The ungodly, filled with guilty fears,
Behold his wrath prevailing;
In woe they rise, but all their tears
And sighs are unavailing:

The day of grace is past and gone;
Trembling they stand before his throne,
All unprepared to meet him.

4 Great Judge, to thee our prayers we pour,
In deep abasement bending;
O shield us through that last dread hour,
Thy wondrous love extending:
May we, in this our trial day,
With faithful hearts thy word obey,
And thus prepare to meet thee. Amen.

69

F. W. H. Myers, 1867.

'Even so, come, Lord Jesus.' Rev. xxii. 20.

HARK what a sound, and too divine for hearing,
Stirs on the earth and trembles in the air!
Is it the thunder of the LORD's appearing?
Is it the music of his people's prayer?

2 Surely he cometh, and a thousand voices
Shout to the saints and to the deaf are dumb;
Surely he cometh, and the earth rejoices,
Glad in his coming who hath sworn, I come.

3 So even I, and with a pang more thrilling,
So even I, and with a hope more sweet,
Yearn for the sign, O CHRIST, of thy fulfilling,
Faint for the flaming of thine advent feet.

4 Yea, through life, death, through sorrow and through sinning
He shall suffice me, for he hath sufficed:
CHRIST is the end, for CHRIST was the beginning,
CHRIST the beginning, for the end is CHRIST.
Amen.

70 *Tr.* (1848) *from Latin of Thomas of Celano of 13th cent., by Rev. W. J. Irons.*

'He cometh to judge the earth.' Ps. xcvi. 13.

Dies irae.

DAY of wrath! O day of mourning!
See fulfill'd the prophets' warning!
Heav'n and earth in ashes burning!

2 Oh, what fear man's bosom rendeth
When from heav'n the Judge descendeth,
On whose sentence all dependeth!

3 Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth,
Through earth's sepulchres it ringeth,
All before the Throne it bringeth.

4 Death is struck, and nature quaking,
All creation is awaking,
To its Judge an answer making.

5 Lo! the Book exactly worded,
Wherein all hath been recorded;
Thence shall judgment be awarded.

6 When the Judge his seat attaineth,
And each hidden deed arraigneth,
Nothing unavenged remaineth.

7 What shall I, frail man, be pleading,
Who for me be interceding,
When the just are mercy needing?

8 King of Majesty tremendous,
Who dost free salvation send us,
Fount of pity, then befriend us!

9 Think, good JESU, my salvation
Caused thy wondrous Incarnation;
Leave me not to reprobation.

10 Faint and weary thou hast sought me,
On the Cross of suffering bought me;
Shall such grace be vainly brought me?

11 Righteous Judge! for sin's pollution
Grant thy gift of absolution,
Ere that day of retribution.

12 Guilty, now I pour my moaning,
All my shame with anguish owning;
Spare, O GOD, thy suppliant groaning.

13 Thou the sinful woman savedst;
Thou the dying thief forgavest;
And to me a hope vouchsafest.

14 Worthless are my prayers and sighing,
Yet, good LORD, in grace complying,
Rescue me from fires undying.

15 With thy favoured sheep O place me,
Nor among the goats abase me,
But to thy right hand upraise me.

16 While the wicked are confounded,
Doomed to flames of woe unbounded,
Call me with thy Saints surrounded.

17 Low I kneel, with heart submission,
See, like ashes, my contrition;
Help me in my last condition.

18 Ah! that day of tears and mourning!
From the dust of earth returning
Man for judgment must prepare him;
Spare, O GOD, in mercy spare him!

19 LORD, all pitying, JESU blest,
Grant them thine eternal rest. Amen.

71 *Tr.* (1854) *from the German of Laurentius Laurenti* (1700) *by Sarah Findlater.*

'Behold, the bridegroom cometh.' St. Matt. xxv. 6.

Ermuntert euch, ihr Frommen.

REJOICE, all ye believers,
And let your lights appear;
The evening is advancing
And darker night is near.

The Bridegroom is arising,
And soon will he draw nigh:
Up, pray and watch and wrestle,
At midnight comes the cry.

2 See that your lamps are burning,
Replenish them with oil;
Look now for your salvation,
The end of earthly toil.
The watchers on the mountain
Proclaim the Bridegroom near:
Go meet him, as he cometh,
With alleluias clear.

3 Ye wise and holy virgins,
Now raise your voices higher,
Until in songs of triumph
They meet the angel choir.
The marriage feast is waiting,
The gates wide open stand:
Up, up! ye heirs of glory;
The Bridegroom is at hand.

4 Our hope and expectation,
O JESUS, now appear:
Arise, thou Sun, so longed for,
O'er this benighted sphere:
With hearts and hands uplifted
We plead, O LORD, to see
The day of our redemption,
That brings us unto thee. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 50

72 *Canon Thomas R. Birks*, 1874.

'Who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth?' Mal. iii. 2.

THE mighty GOD, the LORD hath spoken,
And bids the trembling earth draw nigh:
The silence of long ages broken,
He speaks in thunder from the sky.

2 Forth from the heavenly Zion shining,
In perfect beauty he appears:
Love, wisdom, majesty combining,
Bright are the diadems he wears.

3 He speaks, and all the nations tremble;
Heaven, earth, and hell his voice obey:
In solemn awe his saints assemble,
The world's dim shadows flee away.

4 O who can stand when thou appearest
In robes of majesty divine?
Though now each contrite sigh thou hearest,
What terrors then will round thee shine!

5 O mighty GOD, O LORD most holy,
Prepare us for that solemn day:
O shield and guard us, save us wholly,
Thy pardoning grace to us display. Amen.

73

Rev. F. L. Hosmer, 1891.

'Thy kingdom come.' St. Matt. vi. 10.

'THY kingdom come'—on bended knee
The passing ages pray;
And faithful souls have yearned to see
On earth that kingdom's day.

2 But the slow watches of the night
Not less to GOD belong,
And for the everlasting right
The silent stars are strong.

3 And lo, already on the hills
The flags of dawn appear;
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
Proclaim the day is near:

4 The day in whose clear-shining light
All wrong shall stand revealed,
When justice shall be throned in might,
And every hurt be healed;

5 When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
  Shall walk the earth abroad,—
The day of perfect righteousness,
  The promised day of GOD. Amen.

74

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1873.

'Surely I come quickly.' Rev. xxii. 20.

THOU art coming, O my SAVIOUR,
  Thou art coming, O my King,
In thy beauty all-resplendent,
In thy glory all-transcendent;
  Well may we rejoice and sing;
Coming:—in the opening east
  Herald brightness slowly swells;
Coming:—O my glorious Priest,
  Hear we not thy golden bells?

2 Thou art coming, thou art coming;
  We shall meet thee on thy way,
We shall see thee, we shall know thee,
We shall bless thee, we shall show thee
  All our hearts could never say:
What an anthem that will be,
  Ringing out our love to thee,
Pouring out our rapture sweet
  At thine own all-glorious feet.

3 Thou art coming; at thy table
  We are witnesses for this;
While remembering hearts thou meetest
In communion clearest, sweetest,
  Earnest of our coming bliss,
Showing not thy death alone,
  And thy love exceeding great,
But thy coming, and thy throne,
  All for which we long and wait.

*4 Thou art coming; we are waiting
With a hope that cannot fail,
Asking not the day or hour,
Resting on thy word of power,
Anchored safe within the veil.
Time appointed may be long,
But the vision must be sure;
Certainty shall make us strong,
Joyful patience can endure.

5 O the joy to see thee reigning,
Thee, my own belovèd LORD!
Every tongue thy Name confessing,
Worship, honour, glory, blessing
Brought to thee with one accord,—
Thee, my Master, and my Friend,
Vindicated and enthroned,
Unto earth's remotest end
Glorified, adored, and owned! Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

125 Lord, in this thy mercy's.
277 Lord, her watch thy Church.
287 Zion's King shall reign.
291 Work, for the day is coming.
321 Thy kingdom come.
361 Joy to the world! The Lord.
388 Jesus shall reign.
392 Rejoice, the Lord is King.
396 Hail to the Lord's Anointed.
423 Hark, 'tis the watchman's.
440 Lord of mercy and of might.
530 O Jesu, thou art standing.
548 Come, thou long-expected.
552 Ye servants of the Lord.
612 A few more years shall roll.
626 Brief life is here our portion.
629 Ten thousand times ten.
714 Christian children.

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tures, Nos. 495–499.

75 *Tr.* (1841) *from the Latin* (18*th cent.*) *by Canon F. Oakeley, W. T. Brooke, and others.*

'Let us now go even unto Bethlehem.' St. Luke ii. 15.

Adeste fideles.

O COME, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, CHRIST the LORD.

2 GOD of GOD,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very GOD,
Begotten, not created;
O come, let us adore him.

3 Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to GOD
In the highest;
O come, let us adore him.

4 See how the Shepherds,
Summoned to his cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;
We too will thither
Bend our joyful footsteps:
O come, let us adore him.

(*For Christmas only*)

*5 Yea, LORD, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning,
JESU, to thee be glory given;
Word of the FATHER,
Now in flesh appearing:
O come, let us adore him.

(*For Epiphany only*)

*6 Lo! star-led chieftains,
Magi, CHRIST adoring,
Offer him frankincense and gold and myrrh;
We to the CHRIST Child
Bring our hearts' oblations:
O come, let us adore him. Amen.

76

Nahum Tate, 1700.

'And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.' St. Luke ii. 8.

WHILE shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The angel of the LORD came down,
And glory shone around.

2 'Fear not,' said he (for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind);
'Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind.

3 'To you, in David's town, this day
Is born of David's line
A SAVIOUR, who is CHRIST the LORD;
And this shall be the sign:

4 'The heavenly Babe you there shall find
To human view displayed,
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
And in a manger laid.'

5 Thus spake the seraph; and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of angels, praising GOD, who thus
Addressed their joyful song:

6 'All glory be to GOD on high,
And to the earth be peace;
Good will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin, and never cease.' Amen.

77

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1739.

'When he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.' Hebrews i. 6.

HARK! the herald angels sing,
Glory to the new-born King,
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
GOD and sinners reconciled.
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim,
'CHRIST is born in Bethlehem.'
Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.

2 CHRIST, by highest heaven adored,
CHRIST, the everlasting LORD,
Late in time behold him come,
Offspring of a Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, the Incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
JESUS, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing.

3 Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace!
Hail, the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing. Amen.

78

John Byrom, 1750.

'Great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, . . . seen of angels, . . . believed on in the world.' 1 Tim. iii. 16.

CHRISTIANS, awake, salute the happy morn,
Whereon the SAVIOUR of the world was born;
Rise to adore the mystery of love,
Which hosts of angels chanted from above;
With them the joyful tidings first begun
Of GOD Incarnate and the Virgin's Son.

2 Then to the watchful shepherds it was told,
Who heard the angelic herald's voice, 'Behold,
I bring good tidings of a SAVIOUR'S birth
To you and all the nations upon earth:
This day hath GOD fulfilled his promised word,
This day is born a SAVIOUR, CHRIST the LORD.'

3 He spake; and straightway the celestial choir
In hymns of joy, unknown before, conspire:
The praises of redeeming love they sang,
And heaven's whole orb with alleluias rang:
GOD'S highest glory was their anthem still,
Peace upon earth, and unto men good will.

4 To Bethlehem straight the enlightened shepherds ran,
To see the wonder GOD had wrought for man,

And found, with Joseph and the blessèd Maid,
Her Son, the SAVIOUR, in a manger laid:
Then to their flocks, still praising GOD, return,
And their glad hearts with holy rapture burn.

5 O may we keep and ponder in our mind
GOD'S wondrous love in saving lost mankind;
Trace we the Babe, who has retrieved our loss,
From his poor manger to his bitter Cross;
Tread in his steps, assisted by his grace,
Till man's first heavenly state again takes place.

6 Then may we hope, the angelic hosts among,
To sing, redeemed, a glad triumphal song:
He that was born upon this joyful day
Around us all his glory shall display:
Saved by his love, incessant we shall sing
Eternal praise to heaven's Almighty King.
Amen.

79 *Tr. from the Latin of Prudentius* (348–413) *by Rev. J. M. Neale* (1854) *and Rev. Sir H. W. Baker* (1861).

'In the beginning was the Word. . . . And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.' St. John i. 1, 14.

Corde natus ex Parentis.

OF the FATHER'S love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the Source, the Ending he,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see,
Evermore and evermore.

*2 At his word the worlds were framèd;
He commanded; it was done:
Heaven and earth and depths of ocean
In their threefold order one;
All that grows beneath the shining
Of the moon and burning sun,
Evermore and evermore.

3 O that birth for ever blessèd!
When the Virgin, full of grace,
By the HOLY GHOST conceiving,
Bare the SAVIOUR of our race,
And the Babe, the world's Redeemer,
First revealed his sacred face,
Evermore and evermore.

4 This is he whom seers in old time
Chanted of with one accord;
Whom the voices of the prophets
Promised in their faithful word;
Now he shines, the long-expected;
Let creation praise its LORD,
Evermore and evermore.

5 O ye heights of heaven, adore him;
Angel-hosts, his praises sing;
All dominions, bow before him,
And extol our GOD and King;
Let no tongue on earth be silent,
Every voice in concert ring,
Evermore and evermore.

6 Thee let old men, thee let young men,
Thee let boys in chorus sing;
Matrons, virgins, little maidens,
With glad voices answering;
Let their guileless songs re-echo,
And the heart its praises bring,
Evermore and evermore.

7 CHRIST, to thee, with GOD the FATHER,
And, O HOLY GHOST, to thee,
Hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving,
And unwearied praises be,
Honour, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory,
Evermore and evermore. Amen.

80

Tr. (1852) *from the Latin of C. Coffin* (1736) *by Bishop Woodford.*

'His dear Son: . . . who is the image of the invisible God.' Col. i. 13, 15.

Jam desinant suspiria.

GOD from on high hath heard;
Let sighs and sorrows cease;
Lo! from the opening Heaven descends
To man the promised Peace.

2 Hark! through the silent night
Angelic voices swell;
Their joyful songs proclaim that 'GOD
Is born on earth to dwell.'

3 See how the shepherd-band
Speed on with eager feet;
Come to the hallow'd cave with them
The Holy Babe to greet.

4 But O what sight appears
Within that lowly door!
A manger, stall, and swaddling clothes,
A Child, and Mother poor!

5 Art thou the CHRIST, the SON,
The FATHER's Image bright?
And see we him whose arm upholds
Earth and the starry height?

6 Yea, faith can pierce the cloud
Which veils thy glory now;
We hail thee GOD, before whose throne
The angels prostrate bow.

7 A silent Teacher, LORD,
Thou bidd'st us not refuse
To bear what flesh would have us shun,
To shun what flesh would choose.

8 Our sinful pride to cure
With that pure love of thine,
O be thou born within our hearts,
Most Holy Child Divine. Amen.

81

James Montgomery, 1816.

'O come, let us worship and bow down.' Ps. xcv. 6.

ANGELS, from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story,
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship,
Worship CHRIST, the new-born King.

2 Shepherds in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
GOD with man is now residing,
Yonder shines the infant Light:
Come and worship,
Worship CHRIST, the new-born King.

3 Sages, leave your contemplations;
Brighter visions beam afar;
Seek the great Desire of nations,
Ye have seen his natal star:
Come and worship,
Worship CHRIST, the new-born King.

4 Saints before the altar bending,
Watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the LORD, descending,
In his temple shall appear:
Come and worship,
Worship CHRIST, the new-born King.

5 Though an infant now we view him,
He shall fill his FATHER's throne,
Gather all the nations to him;
Every knee shall then bow down:
Come and worship,
Worship CHRIST, the new-born King. Amen.

82 *Bishop Phillips Brooks*, 1868.

'Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.'
St. Matt. i. 23.

O LITTLE town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by:
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee to-night.

2 For CHRIST is born of Mary;
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth,
And praises sing to GOD the King,
And peace to men on earth!

3 How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So GOD imparts to human hearts
The blessings of his heaven:
No ear may hear his coming;
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him, still
The dear CHRIST enters in.

4 O Holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in;
Be born in us to-day.
We hear the heavenly angels
The great glad tidings tell:
O come to us, abide with us,
Our LORD Immanuel. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

92 O sing a hymn of Bethlehem.
229 Let all mortal flesh keep silence.
319 It came upon the midnight clear.
383 Who is this so weak and helpless.
391 Songs of praise the angels sang.
680 Litany of the Incarnate Word.
691 In the bleak mid-winter.
731 There came a little Child.
733 Once in royal David's city.
755 Thou didst leave thy throne.

See also Nos. 731–750, and Ancient Office Hymn, No. 11.

ST. STEPHEN'S DAY

December 26

83 *Tr.* (1861) *from the Latin of Canon J.-B. de Santeüil by Compilers A. & M.*

'Ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings.' 1 Pet. iv. 13

O qui tuo, dux martyrum.

FIRST of martyrs, thou whose name[1]
Doth thy golden crown proclaim,
Not of flowers that fade away
Weave we this thy crown to-day.

2 Bright the stones which bruise thee gleam,
Sprinkled with thy life-blood's stream;
Stars around thy sainted head
Never could such radiance shed.

3 Every wound upon thy brow
Sparkles with unearthly glow;
Like an angel's is thy face,
Beaming with celestial grace.

4 O how blessèd first to be
Slain for him who bled for thee;
First like him in dying hour
Witness to almighty power;

[1] The word Stephen means a crown.

5 First to follow where he trod
Through the deep Red Sea of blood;
First, but in thy footsteps press
Saints and martyrs numberless.

6 Glory to the FATHER be,
Glory, Virgin-born, to Thee,
Glory to the HOLY GHOST,
Praised by men and heavenly host. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

177 Holy Ghost, Illuminator.
404 The Son of God goes forth.
Also Ancient Office Hymn, No. 12.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

December 27

84 *Tr.* (1849) *from the Latin of Rev. N. le Tourneaux* (1686) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'One of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.' St. John xiii. 23.

Jussu tyranni pro fide.

AN exile for the faith
Of his incarnate LORD,
Beyond the stars, beyond all space,
His soul in vision soared:

2 There saw in glory him
Who liveth, and was dead,
There Judah's Lion, and the Lamb
That for our ransom bled:

3 There of the kingdom learned
The mysteries sublime;
How, sown in martyrs' blood, the faith
Should spread from clime to clime.

4 LORD, give us grace, like him,
In thee to live and die;
To spurn the fleeting things of earth,
And seek for joys on high.

5 JESU, our risen LORD,
We praise thee and adore,
Who art with GOD the FATHER One
And SPIRIT evermore. Amen.

See also No. 185.

THE INNOCENTS' DAY
December 28

85 *Laurence Housman*, 1906.

'Thy children shall come again.' Jer. xxxi. 17.

WHEN CHRIST was born in Bethlehem,
Fair peace on earth to bring,
In lowly state of love he came
To be the children's King.

2 And round him, then, a holy band
Of children blest was born,
Fair guardians of his throne to stand
Attendant night and morn.

3 And unto them this grace was given
A Saviour's name to own,
And die for him who out of heaven
Had found on earth a throne.

4 O blessèd babes of Bethlehem,
Who died to save our King,
Ye share the martyrs' diadem,
And in their anthem sing.

*5 Your lips on earth that never spake,
Now sound the eternal word;
And in the courts of love ye make
Your children's voices heard.

*6 LORD JESUS CHRIST, eternal Child,
Make thou our childhood thine;
That we with thee the meek and mild
May share the love divine. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
Nos. 706, 731, A.O.H. 13.

CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST

January 1

86 *Bishop W. Walsham How*, 1854.

'The angel . . . said unto her . . . that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.' St. Luke i. 35.

JESUS, Name of wondrous love!
Name all other names above!
Unto which must every knee
Bow in deep humility.

2 JESUS, Name decreed of old;
To the maiden Mother told,
Kneeling in her lowly cell,
By the angel Gabriel.

3 JESUS, Name of priceless worth
To the fallen sons of earth,
For the promise that it gave—
'JESUS shall his people save.'

4 JESUS, Name of mercy mild,
Given to the Holy Child,
When the cup of human woe
First he tasted here below.

5 JESUS, only name that's given
Under all the mighty heaven,
Whereby man, to sin enslaved,
Bursts his fetters and is saved.

6 JESUS, Name of wondrous love,
Human name of GOD above!
Pleading only this we flee,
Helpless, O our GOD, to thee. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
Nos. 490–494.

87 *Tr.* (1861) *from the Latin Le Mans Breviary* (1748) *by Rev. F. Pott.*

'Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.' Ps. xxiii. 6.

Lapsus est annus, redit annus alter.

THE year is gone beyond recall,
With all its hopes and fears,
With all its bright and gladdening smiles,
With all its mourners' tears.

2 Thy thankful people praise thee, LORD,
For countless gifts received;
And pray for grace to keep the faith
Which saints of old believed.

3 To thee we come, O gracious LORD,
The new-born year to bless;
Defend our land from pestilence;
Give peace and plenteousness;

4 Forgive this nation's many sins;
The growth of vice restrain;
And help us all with sin to strive
And crowns of life to gain.

5 From evil deeds that stain the past
We now desire to flee;
And pray that future years may all
Be spent, good LORD, for thee.

6 O FATHER, let thy watchful eye
Still look on us in love,
That we may praise thee, year by year,
With angel-hosts above.

7 All glory to the FATHER be,
All glory to the SON,
All glory, HOLY GHOST, to thee,
While endless ages run. Amen.

88

Rev. L. Tuttiett, 1864.

'Father, glorify thy name.' St. John xii. 28.

FATHER, let me dedicate
All this year to thee,
In whatever worldly state
Thou wilt have me be:
Not from sorrow, pain, or care
Freedom dare I claim;
This alone shall be my prayer,
Glorify thy Name.

2 Can a child presume to choose
Where or how to live?
Can a Father's love refuse
All the best to give?
More thou givest every day
Than the best can claim,
Nor withholdest aught that may
Glorify thy Name.

3 If in mercy thou wilt spare
Joys that yet are mine;
If on life, serene and fair,
Brighter rays may shine;
Let my glad heart, while it sings,
Thee in all proclaim,
And, whate'er the future brings,
Glorify thy Name.

4 If thou callest to the cross,
And its shadow come,
Turning all my gain to loss,
Shrouding heart and home;
Let me think how thy dear SON
To his glory came,
And in deepest woe pray on,
Glorify thy Name. Amen.

89

Rev. Henry Downton, 1843.

'The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us.'
Ps. cxv. 12.

FOR thy mercy and thy grace,
Constant through another year,
Hear our song of thankfulness,
JESU, our Redeemer, hear.

2 Lo! our sins on thee we cast,
Thee, our perfect sacrifice,
And, forgetting all the past,
Press towards our glorious prize.

3 Dark the future; let thy light
Guide us, bright and morning Star:
Fierce our foes, and hard the fight;
Arm us, SAVIOUR, for the war.

4 In our weakness and distress,
Rock of strength, be thou our stay;
In the pathless wilderness
Be our true and living way.

5 Who of us death's aweful road
In the coming year shall tread,
With thy rod and staff, O GOD,
Comfort thou his dying bed.

6 Keep us faithful, keep us pure,
Keep us evermore thine own;
Help, O help us to endure;
Fit us for the promised crown. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

379 O God, our help in ages past.
429 O God of Bethel.
505 O God, the Rock of Ages.
546 Thy way, not mine, O Lord.
612 A few more years shall roll.
626 Brief life is here our portion.
653 Ring out, wild bells.

90 *Tr.* (1837) *from the Latin of Canon J.-B. de Santeüil* (1689) *by Rev. J. Chandler.*

'And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them.' St. Luke ii. 51.

Divine, crescebas, Puer.

THE heavenly Child in stature grows,
And, growing, learns to die;
And still his early training shows
His coming agony.

2 The SON of GOD his glory hides
With parents mean and poor;
And he, who made the heavens, abides
In dwelling-place obscure.

3 Those mighty hands that rule the sky
No earthly toil refuse;
The Maker of the stars on high
A humble trade pursues.

4 He, whom the choirs of angels praise,
Bearing each dread decree,
His earthly parents now obeys
In deep humility.

5 For this thy lowliness revealed,
JESU, we thee adore;
And praise to GOD the FATHER yield
And SPIRIT evermore. Amen.

91 *Rev. John M. Neale*, 1843.

'He will guide you into all truth.' St. John xvi. 13.

O THOU who by a star didst guide
The wise men on their way,
Until it came and stood beside
The place where JESUS lay;

2 Although by stars thou dost not lead
Thy servants now below,
Thy HOLY SPIRIT, when they need,
Will show them how to go.

3 As yet we know thee but in part;
But still we trust thy word,
That blessèd are the pure in heart,
For they shall see the LORD.

4 O SAVIOUR, give us then thy grace
To make us pure in heart,
That we may see thee face to face
Hereafter as thou art. Amen.

92

Rev. Louis F. Benson, 1899.

'Sing unto the Lord, . . . shew forth his salvation from day to day.' Ps. xcvi. 2.

O SING a hymn of Bethlehem,
Of shepherds watching there,
And of the news that came to them
From angels in the air:
The light that shone on Bethlehem
Fills all the world to-day;
Of JESUS' birth and peace on earth
The angels sing alway.

2 O sing a hymn of Nazareth,
Of sunny days of joy,
O sing of fragrant flowers' breath,
And of the sinless Boy:
For now the flowers of Nazareth
In every heart may grow;
Now spreads the fame of his dear Name
On all the winds that blow.

3 O sing a hymn of Galilee,
Of lake and woods and hill,
Of him who walked upon the sea
And bade its waves be still:

For though, like waves on Galilee,
Dark seas of trouble roll,
When faith has heard the Master's word
Falls peace upon the soul.

4 O sing a hymn of Calvary,
Its glory and dismay;
Of him who hung upon the Tree
And took our sins away:
For he who died on Calvary
Is risen from the grave,
And CHRIST, our LORD, by heaven adored,
Is mighty now to save. Amen.

93

Rev. John Morison, 1781.

'The people which sat in darkness saw great light.'
St. Matt. iv. 16.

THE people that in darkness sat
A glorious light have seen;
The Light has shined on them who long
In shades of death have been.

2 To hail thee, Sun of righteousness,
The gathering nations come;
They joy as when the reapers bear
Their harvest treasures home.

3 For thou their burden dost remove,
And break the tyrant's rod,
As in the day when Midian fell
Before the sword of GOD.

4 For unto us a Child is born,
To us a Son is given,
And on his shoulder ever rests
All power in earth and heaven.

5 His Name shall be the Prince of Peace,
The Everlasting LORD,
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,
The GOD by all adored.

6 LORD JESUS, reign in us we pray,
And make us thine alone,
Who with the FATHER ever art
And HOLY SPIRIT One. Amen.

94

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin of Prudentius* (348–413) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda.' St. Matt. ii. 6.

O sola magnarum urbium.

EARTH has many a noble city;
Bethlehem, thou dost all excel:
Out of thee the LORD from heaven
Came to rule his Israel.

2 Fairer than the sun at morning
Was the star that told his birth,
To the world its GOD announcing
Seen in fleshly form on earth.

3 Eastern sages at his cradle
Make oblation rich and rare;
See them give, in deep devotion,
Gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

4 Sacred gifts of mystic meaning:
Incense doth their GOD disclose,
Gold the King of kings proclaimeth,
Myrrh his sepulchre foreshows.

5 JESU, whom the Gentiles worshipped
At thy glad Epiphany,
Unto thee, with GOD the FATHER
And the SPIRIT, glory be. Amen.

95 *Tr.* (1857) *from the Latin of C. Coffin* (1736) *by J. D. Chambers.*

'We have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.' St. Matt. ii. 2.

Linquunt tecta Magi principis urbis.

LO! the pilgrim magi
Leave their royal halls,
And with eager footsteps
Speed to Bethlehem's walls;
As they onward journey,
Faith, which firmly rests,
Built on hope unswerving,
Triumphs in their breasts.

2 O what joy and gladness
Filled each heart, from far
When, to guide their footsteps,
Shone that radiant star;
O'er that home so holy,
Pouring down its ray,
Where the cradled Infant
With his mother lay.

3 Costly pomp and splendour
Earthly kings array;
He, a mightier Monarch,
Hath a nobler sway;
Straw may be his pallet,
Mean his garb may be,
Yet with power transcendent
He all hearts can free.

4 At his crib they worship,
Kneeling on the floor,
And their GOD there present,
In that Babe adore;
To our GOD and SAVIOUR
We, as Gentiles true,
Give our hearts o'erflowing,
Give our tribute due:—

5 Bringing of our substance,
Gold unto our King;
Pure and chastened bodies
To our CHRIST we bring;
Unto him, like incense,
Vow and prayer address;
So with meetest offerings,
Him our GOD confess.

6 Glory to the FATHER,
Fount of Light alone;
Who unto the Gentiles,
Made his glory known.
Equal praise and glory,
Blessèd SON, to thee,
And to thee, blest SPIRIT,
Evermore shall be. Amen.

96

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862.

'The Son of God was manifested.' 1 John iii. 8.

SONGS of thankfulness and praise,
JESU, LORD, to thee we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the sages from afar;
Branch of royal David's stem
In thy birth at Bethlehem;
Anthems be to thee addrest,
GOD in Man made manifest.

2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana wedding-guest
In thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in power divine,
Changing water into wine;
Anthems be to thee addrest,
GOD in Man made manifest.

3 Manifest in making whole
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight,
Quelling all the devil's might;
Manifest in gracious will,
Ever bringing good from ill;
Anthems be to thee addrest,
GOD in Man made manifest.

4 Sun and moon shall darkened be,
Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;
CHRIST will then like lightning shine,
All will see his glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear,
All will see the Judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confest,
GOD in Man made manifest.

5 Grant us grace to see thee, LORD,
Mirrored in thy holy Word;
May we imitate thee now,
And be pure, as pure art thou;
That we like to thee may be
At thy great Epiphany;
And may praise thee, ever blest,
GOD in Man made manifest. Amen.

97

William Chatterton Dix, 1860.

'When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.' St. Matt. ii. 10.

AS with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold,
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious LORD, may we
Evermore be led to thee.

2 As with joyful steps they sped,
SAVIOUR, to thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before
Thee whom heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek thy mercy-seat.

3 As they offered gifts most rare
At that cradle rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
CHRIST, to thee our heavenly King.

4 Holy JESU, every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds thy glory hide.

5 In the heavenly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
Thou its Sun which goes not down;
There for ever may we sing
Alleluias to our King. Amen.

98

Rev. J. S. B. Monsell, 1863

'Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.' Ps. xxix. 2

WORSHIP the LORD in the beauty of holiness;
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
Bring, and adore him; the LORD is his Name!

2 Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness;
High on his heart he will bear it for thee,
Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

3 Fear not to enter his courts, in the slenderness
Of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine;
Truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness,
These are the offerings to lay on his shrine.

4 These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
He will accept for the Name that is dear,
Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
Trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.

5 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness;
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
Gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
Bring, and adore him; the LORD is his Name!
Amen.

99

Rev. Godfrey Thring, 1873.

'Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem . . . there came wise men from the east.' St. Matt. ii. 1.

FROM the eastern mountains
Pressing on they come,
Wise men in their wisdom,
To his humble home;
Stirred by deep devotion,
Hasting from afar,
Ever journeying onward,
Guided by a star.

Light of light that shineth
Ere the worlds began,
Draw thou near and lighten
Every heart of man.

2 There their LORD and SAVIOUR
Meek and lowly lay,
Wondrous Light that led them
Onward on their way;
Ever now to lighten
Nations from afar,
As they journey homeward,
By that guiding star.
Light of light that shineth.

3 Thou who in a manger
Once hast lowly lain,
Who dost now in glory
O'er all kingdoms reign,
Gather in the heathen,
Who in lands afar
Ne'er have seen the brightness
Of thy guiding star.
Light of light that shineth.

4 Onward through the darkness
Of the lonely night,
Shining still before them
With thy kindly light—
Guide them, Jew and Gentile,
Homeward from afar,
Young and old together,
By thy guiding star.
Light of light that shineth.

5 Until every nation,
Whether bond or free,
'Neath thy starlit banner,
JESU, follow thee;
O'er the distant mountains
To that heavenly home,
Where nor sin nor sorrow
Evermore shall come.

Light of light that shineth
Ere the worlds began,
Draw thou near and lighten
Every heart of man. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

75 O come, all ye faithful.
272 Fling out the banner.
283 Lord of all power and might.
284 Thou whose almighty word.
321 Thy kingdom come, O God.
352 From all that dwell below the skies.
356 Brightest and best.
361 Joy to the world! The Lord is come.
378 God of mercy, God of grace.
388 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun.
396 Hail to the Lord's Anointed.
475 O love, how deep! how broad!
548 Come, thou long-expected Jesus.
551 By cool Siloam's shady rill.
705 Wise men seeking Jesus.
748 We three kings.

Also Nos. 270–294, under 'Missionary Hymns'.

THE WEEK BEFORE SEPTUAGESIMA

100 *Tr.* (1854) *from the Latin* (10*th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.' Ps. cxxvi. 5.

Alleluia, dulce carmen.

ALLELUIA, song of sweetness,
Voice of joy that cannot die;
Alleluia is the anthem
Ever dear to choirs on high;
In the house of God abiding
Thus they sing eternally.

2 Alleluia thou resoundest,
True Jerusalem and free;
Alleluia, joyful mother,
All thy children sing with thee;
But by Babylon's sad waters
Mourning exiles now are we.

3 Alleluia cannot always
Be our song while here below;
Alleluia our transgressions
Make us for a while forego;
For the solemn time is coming
When our tears for sin must flow.

4 Therefore in our hymns we pray thee,
Grant us, Blessèd TRINITY,
At the last to keep thine Easter
In our home beyond the sky,
There to thee for ever singing
Alleluia joyfully. Amen.

SEPTUAGESIMA

101 *Tr. from C. Coffin* (1736) *by Rev. J. M. Neale*, 1849, *and Compilers A. & M.*, 1861.

'How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?' Ps. cxxxvii. 4.

Te laeta, mundi Conditor.

CREATOR of the world, to thee
An endless rest of joy belongs;
And heavenly choirs are ever free
To sing on high their festal songs.

2 But we are fallen creatures here,
Where pain and sorrow daily come;
And how can we, in exile drear,
Sing out, as they, sweet songs of home?

3 O FATHER, who dost promise still,
That they who mourn shall blessèd be;
Grant us to mourn for deeds of ill,
That banish us so long from thee:

4 But, weeping, grant us faith to rest
In hope upon thy loving care;
Till thou restore us, with the blest,
Their songs of praise in heaven to share.
Amen.

Founded on PSALM 136

102 *John Milton*, 1623.

'O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.' 1 Chronicles xvi. 34.

LET us with a gladsome mind,
Praise the LORD, for he is kind:
For his mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

2 He with all-commanding might
Filled the new-made world with light:
For his mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

3 He the golden-tressèd sun,
Caused all day his course to run:
For his mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

4 All things living he doth feed,
His full hand supplies their need:
For his mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

5 Let us then with gladsome mind,
Praise the LORD, for he is kind:
For his mercies aye endure,
Ever faithful, ever sure.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

284 Thou whose almighty word.
357 At the Name of Jesus.
360 O worship the King.
385 Praise the Lord! ye heavens, adore him.
394 Angel-voices, ever singing.
436 Have mercy on us, God most high.
526 Jesus is God.
602 The spacious firmament on high.
603 There is a book, who runs may read.

SEXAGESIMA

103 *Rev. John Cawood,* 1815

'The seed is the word of God.' St. Luke viii. 11.

ALMIGHTY GOD, thy word is cast
Like seed into the ground:
Now let the dew of heaven descend
And righteous fruits abound.

2 Let not the foe of CHRIST and man
This holy seed remove:
But give it root in every heart,
To bring forth fruits of love.

3 Let not the world's deceitful cares
The rising plant destroy;
But let it yield a hundredfold
The fruits of peace and joy.

4 Oft as the precious seed is sown,
Thy quickening grace bestow;
That all whose souls the truth receive
Its saving power may know. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

384 Praise to the Holiest in the height.
603 There is a book.

QUINQUAGESIMA

104 *Rev. John Ellerton,* 1890.

'Covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.' 1 Cor. xii. 31.

O HOLY SPIRIT, whom our Master sent
Rich with all treasures from the throne above,
We pray thee for thy gift most excellent,
Thy greatest, thine unfailing gift of love.

2 Thy grace abounds; the written word is ours;
And Satan trembles at the might of prayer:
The shield of faith can quell the evil powers,
And hope's bright helmet save us from despair.

3 These yet abide; but we would covet still
One gift, exalted faith and hope above:
Grant us the new commandment to fulfil,
And even as JESUS loved us, so to love.

4 Grant us to follow his long-suffering path,
Joying in truth, yet helping them that fall,
To think no evil, give no place to wrath,
But bear, believe, endure, and hope for all.

5 So when at length we know as we are known,
And all the shadows are for ever past,
He who is Love may see in us his own,
And all in him be perfect love at last. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

465 O Lord, how joyful.
472 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost.
517 Lord, as to thy dear Cross.

LENT

105 *Rev. G. H. Smyttan*, 1856, *and Rev. F. Pott*, 1861.

'Jesus . . . was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, being forty days tempted of the devil.' St. Luke iv. 1, 2.

FORTY days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled.

2 Sunbeams scorching all the day;
Chilly dew-drops nightly shed;
Prowling beasts about thy way;
Stones thy pillow; earth thy bed.

3 Shall not we thy trial share,
And from earthly joys abstain,
Fasting with unceasing prayer,
Strong with thee to suffer pain?

4 And if Satan, vexing sore,
Flesh or spirit should assail,
Thou, his vanquisher before,
Grant we may not faint nor fail.

5 So shall we have peace divine;
Holier gladness ours shall be;
Round us too shall angels shine,
Such as ministered to thee.

6 Keep, O keep us, SAVIOUR dear,
Ever constant by thy side;
That with thee we may appear
At the eternal Eastertide. Amen.

106

Rev. J. S. B. Monsell, 1857

'God be merciful to me a sinner.' St. Luke xviii. 13.

SINFUL, sighing to be blest;
Bound, and longing to be free;
Weary, waiting for my rest:
GOD be merciful to me.

2 Goodness I have none to plead,
Sinfulness in all I see,
I can only bring my need:
GOD be merciful to me.

3 Broken heart and downcast eyes
Dare not lift themselves to thee;
Yet thou canst interpret sighs:
GOD be merciful to me.

4 From this sinful heart of mine
To thy bosom I would flee:
I am not mine own, but thine:
GOD be merciful to me.

5 There is One beside the throne,
And my only hope and plea
Are in him, and him alone:
GOD be merciful to me.

6 He my cause will undertake,
My Interpreter will be;
He's my all; and for his sake
GOD be merciful to me. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 143

107

Rev. John Marckant, 1561.

'O Lord: . . . hide not thy face from me.' Ps. cxliii. 7.

O LORD, turn not thy face from me,
Who lie in woeful state,
Lamenting all my sinful life
Before thy mercy-gate;

2 A gate which opens wide to those
That do lament their sin;
Shut not that gate against me, LORD,
But let me enter in.

3 So come I to thy mercy-gate,
Where mercy doth abound,
Requiring mercy for my sin
To heal my deadly wound.

4 Mercy, good LORD, mercy I ask;
This is the total sum;
For mercy, LORD, is all my suit,
LORD, let thy mercy come. Amen.

108 *From the German of J. Heermann* (1630). *Tr.* (1899) *by Robert Bridges in the 'Yattendon Hymnal'.*

'He was wounded for our transgressions.' Isa. liii. 5.

Herzliebster Jesu.

AH, holy JESU, how hast thou offended,
That man to judge thee hath in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,
O most afflicted.

2 Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon thee?
Alas, my treason, JESU, hath undone thee,
'Twas I, LORD JESU, I it was denied thee:
I crucified thee.

3 Lo, the good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;
The slave hath sinnèd, and the SON hath suffered;
For man's atonement, while he nothing heedeth,
GOD intercedeth.

4 For me, kind JESU, was thy incarnation,
Thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation;
Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,
For my salvation.

5 Therefore, kind JESU, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,
Think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,
Not my deserving. Amen.

109 *Matthew Bridges*, 1800–94.

'A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.' Isa. liii. 3.

MAN of Sorrows, wrapt in grief,
Bow thine ear to our relief;
Thou for us the path hast trod
Of the righteous wrath of GOD;

Thou the cup of fire hast drained
Till its light alone remained.
Lamb of love! we look to thee:
Hear our mournful litany.

2 By the garden, fraught with woe,
Whither thou full oft wouldst go;
By thine agony of prayer
In the desolation there;
By the dire and deep distress
Of that mystery fathomless:
LORD, our tears in mercy see;
Hearken to our litany.

3 By the chalice brimming o'er
With disgrace and torment sore;
By those lips which fain would pray
That it might but pass away;
By the heart which drank it dry,
Lest a rebel race should die;
By thy pity, LORD, our plea:
Hear our solemn litany.

4 Man of Sorrows! let thy grief
Purchase for us our relief;
LORD of mercy! bow thine ear,
Slow to anger, swift to hear;
By the Cross's royal road
Lead us to the throne of GOD,
There for aye to sing to thee
Heaven's triumphant litany. Amen.

110 *Gertrude Hollis*, 1926.

'In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.' Romans viii. 37.

BY the HOLY SPIRIT sent,
JESUS to the desert went,
That he might his children show
How sin's power to overthrow.

2 With a word he could have made
Bread from stones around him laid,
Yet till forty days were past
Still he kept a holy fast.

3 When the devil at his side
Tried to make him sin through pride,
He would give no outward sign
That he was GOD's SON divine.

4 Calmly he refused to win
By a single act of sin
Of the whole wide world the throne;
He would worship GOD alone.

5 Since our loving SAVIOUR thus
Kept a sacred Lent for us,
We, through him, can conquer sin
And a royal victory win. Amen.

111

Catherine E. May, 1888.

'This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest.'
Isa. xxviii. 12.

O SAVIOUR, where shall guilty man
Find rest except in thee?
Thine was the warfare with his foe,
The cross of pain, the cup of woe,
And thine the victory.

2 How came the everlasting SON,
The LORD of Life, to die?
Why didst thou meet the tempter's power,
Why, JESUS, in thy dying hour,
Endure such agony?

3 To save us by thy precious Blood,
To make us one in thee,
Thy thorny crown, thy Cross, thy strife,
That ours might be thy perfect life,
And ours the victory.

4 O make us worthy, gracious LORD,
Of all thy love to be;
To thy blest will our wills incline,
That unto death we may be thine,
And ever live in thee. Amen.

112

Rev. S. J. Stone, 1866.

'In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins.' Eph. i. 7.

WEARY of earth, and laden with my sin,
I look at heaven, and long to enter in;
But there no evil thing may find a home,
And yet I hear a voice that bids me 'Come.'

2 I am unworthy; dare I hope to stand
In the pure glory of the heavenly land?
Before the whiteness of that throne appear?
Yet there are hands stretched out to draw me near.

3 The while I fain would tread the heavenly way,
Evil is ever with me day by day;
Yet on mine ears the gracious tidings fall,
'Repent, confess, thou shalt be loosed from all.'

4 It is the voice of JESUS that I hear,
His are the hands stretched out to draw me near,
And his the Blood that can for all atone,
And set me faultless there before the throne.

5 Yea, thou wilt answer for me, righteous LORD;
Thine all the merits, mine the great reward;
Thine the sharp thorns, and mine the golden crown;
Mine the life won, and thine the life laid down.

6 O great Absolver, grant my soul may wear
The lowliest garb of penitence and prayer,
That in the FATHER's courts my glorious dress
May be the garment of thy righteousness.
Amen.

113

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1853.

'They rewarded me evil for good.' Ps. xxxv. 12.

BEYOND the holy city wall
They set the cruel Cross on high,
Where the dear LORD, who saved us all,
Did hang in pain, and bleed, and die.

2 The hands that touched the blind to sight,
That gave the sick man strength anew,
That raised the dead to life and light,
Were pierced and wounded through and through.

3 The feet that walked the stormy sea,
That ever turned at sorrow's prayer,
By sharp nails fastened to the Tree,
Hung torn and hurt and bleeding there.

4 Since GOD's own SON must suffer thus,
Our souls from Satan's grasp to win;
Since only he could ransom us,
O what a fearful thing is sin!

5 How can we yield to Satan's power,
And let our sinful passions reign,
When hearing of that awful hour,
And thinking of our SAVIOUR's pain?

6 O by thy griefs that dreadful day,
Dear LORD, and by thy precious Blood,
Wash all our guilty stains away,
And make thy sinful children good! Amen.

114

J. G. Deck, 1842.

'Kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.' 1 Peter i. 5.

O LAMB of GOD! still keep me
Near to thy wounded side;
'Tis only there in safety
And peace I can abide.

What foes and snares surround me!
What lusts and fears within!
The grace that sought and found me
Alone can keep me clean.

2 'Tis only in thee hiding,
I know my life secure;
Only in thee abiding,
The conflict can endure:
Thine arm the victory gaineth
O'er every hurtful foe;
Thy love my heart sustaineth
In all its cares and woe.

3 Soon shall my eyes behold thee
With rapture, face to face;
One half hath not been told me
Of all thy power and grace:
Thy beauty, LORD, and glory,
The wonders of thy love,
Shall be the endless story
Of all thy saints above. Amen.

115 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin* (*c.* 17*th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Look unto me, and be ye saved.' Isa. xlv. 22.

Attolle paulum lumina.

O SINNER, lift the eye of faith,
To true repentance turning;
Bethink thee of the curse of sin,
Its awful guilt discerning:
Upon the Crucified One look,
And thou shalt read, as in a book,
What well is worth thy learning.

2 Look on his head, that bleeding head,
With crown of thorns surrounded:
Look on his sacred hands and feet
Which piercing nails have wounded;

See every limb with scourges rent:
On him, the just, the innocent,
What malice hath abounded!

3 None ever knew such pain before,
Such infinite affliction,
None ever felt a grief like his
In that dread crucifixion:
For us he bare those bitter throes,
For us those agonizing woes,
In oft-renewed infliction.

4 LORD, give us grace to flee from sin
And Satan's wiles ensnaring,
And from those everlasting flames
For evil ones preparing.
JESU, we thank thee, and entreat
To rest for ever at thy feet,
Thy heavenly glory sharing. Amen.

116 *Tr.* (1871) *from the Latin* (*c.* 11*th cent.*) *by Rev. J. Ellerton.*

'The hope of Israel, the saviour thereof.' Jer. xiv. 8.

Summi largitor praemii.

GIVER of the perfect gift,
Only Hope of human race,
Hear the prayer our hearts uplift
Trembling at thy throne of grace.

2 Though the accusing voice within
Speaks of many a wrong to thee,
Thou canst cleanse from every sin,
Thou canst set the conscience free.

3 Who can save us, LORD, but thou?
Let thy mercy show thy power;
Lo, we plead thy promise now,
Now, in this the accepted hour.

4 Oh! may these our Lenten days,
Blest by thee, with thee be passed,
That with purer, nobler praise
We may keep thy Feast at last.

5 GOD the HOLY TRINITY,
Grant the mercy we implore;
GOD the One, all praise to thee
Through the ages evermore. Amen.

117

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1858.

'He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.' Ps. cxlvii. 3.

WHEN, wounded sore, the stricken heart
Lies bleeding and unbound,
One only hand, a piercèd hand,
Can salve the sinner's wound.

2 When sorrow swells the laden breast,
And tears of anguish flow,
One only heart, a broken heart,
Can feel the sinner's woe.

3 When penitential grief has wept
Over some foul dark spot,
One only stream, a stream of Blood,
Can wash away the blot.

4 'Tis JESUS' Blood that washes white,
His hand that brings relief,
His heart that's touched with all our joys,
And feels for all our grief.

5 Lift up thy bleeding hand, O LORD,
Unseal that cleansing tide;
We have no shelter from our sin
But in thy wounded side. Amen.

118

Rev. John Morison, 1781.

'Come, and let us return unto the Lord: . . . and he will heal us.' Hosea vi. 1.

COME, let us to the LORD our GOD
With contrite hearts return;
Our GOD is gracious, nor will leave
The desolate to mourn.

2 His voice commands the tempest forth
And stills the stormy wave;
And though his arm be strong to smite,
'Tis also strong to save.

3 Long hath the night of sorrow reigned;
The dawn shall bring us light;
GOD shall appear, and we shall rise
With gladness in his sight.

4 Our hearts, if GOD we seek to know,
Shall know him, and rejoice;
His coming like the morn shall be,
Like morning songs his voice.

5 As dew upon the tender herb,
Diffusing fragrance round;
As showers that usher in the spring,
And cheer the thirsty ground:

6 So shall his presence bless our souls,
And shed a joyful light;
That hallowed morn shall chase away
The sorrows of the night. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 51

119

Tate and Brady, 1698.

'Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness.' Ps. li. 1.

HAVE mercy, LORD, on me,
As thou wert ever kind;
Let me, oppress with loads of guilt,
Thy wonted mercy find.

2 Wash off my foul offence,
And cleanse me from my sin;
For I confess my crime, and see
How great my guilt has been.

3 The joy thy favour gives
Let me again obtain,
And thy free SPIRIT's firm support
My fainting soul sustain.

4 To GOD the FATHER, SON,
And SPIRIT glory be,
As 'twas, and is, and shall be so
To all eternity. Amen.

120

Father Andrew, S.D.C., 1930.

'We love him, because he first loved us.' 1 John iv. 19.

O DEAREST LORD, thy sacred head
With thorns was pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my head
That I may think for thee.

2 O dearest LORD, thy sacred hands
With nails were pierced for me;
O shed thy blessing on my hands
That they may work for thee.

3 O dearest LORD, thy sacred feet
With nails were pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my feet
That they may follow thee.

4 O dearest LORD, thy sacred heart
With spear was pierced for me;
O pour thy spirit in my heart
That I may live for thee. Amen.

121 *Tr.* (1862) *from the Greek of the 7th cent. by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'We wrestle . . . against principalities, against powers, . . . against spiritual wickedness.' Eph. vi. 12.

Οὐ γὰρ βλέπεις τοὺς ταράττοντας.

CHRISTIAN, dost thou see them
On the holy ground,
How the hosts of darkness
Compass thee around?
Christian, up and smite them,
Counting gain but loss;
Smite them by the merit
Of the holy Cross.

2 Christian, dost thou feel them,
How they work within,
Striving, tempting, luring,
Goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble;
Never be down-cast;
Win thee strength to smite them,
Through thy Lenten fast.

3 Christian, dost thou hear them,
How they speak thee fair?
'Always fast and vigil?
Always watch and prayer?'
Christian, answer boldly,
'While I breathe I pray':
Peace shall follow battle,
Night shall end in day.

4 'Well I know thy trouble,
O my servant true;
Thou art very weary,—
I was weary too;
But that toil shall make thee
Some day all mine own,
And the end of sorrow
Shall be near my throne.' Amen.

122

J. R. Wreford (1837), *and S. Longfellow* (1848).

'That I may know him, . . . and the fellowship of his sufferings.' Philippians iii. 10.

WHEN my love to GOD grows weak,
When for deeper faith I seek,
Then in thought I go to thee,
Garden of Gethsemane.

2 There I walk amid the shades,
While the lingering twilight fades;
See that suffering, friendless One
Weeping, praying, there alone.

3 When my love for man grows weak,
When for stronger faith I seek,
Hill of Calvary, I go
To thy scenes of fear and woe.

4 There behold his agony
Suffered on the bitter Tree,
See his anguish, see his faith,
Love triumphant still in death.

5 Then to life I turn again,
Learning all the worth of pain,
Learning all the might that lies
In a full self-sacrifice. Amen.

123

Rev. Albert E. Evans, 1868.

'Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.' St. John vi. 68.

LORD, to thee alone we turn,
To thy Cross for safety fly;
There, as penitents, to learn
How to live and how to die.
Sinful on our knees we fall;
Hear us, as for help we plead;
Hear us, when on thee we call;
Aid us in our time of need.

2 In the midst of sin and strife,
In the depths of mortal woe,
Teach us, LORD, to live a life
Meet for sojourners below.
Though the road be ofttimes dark,
Though the feet in weakness stray,
Lead us, SAVIOUR, as the ark
Led thy chosen on their way.

3 Weak and weary and alone
When the vale of death we tread,
Then be all thy mercy shown,
Then be all thy love displayed.
Guard us in that darksome hour,
Lead us to the land of rest;
Where, secure from Satan's power,
We may lie upon thy breast. Amen.

124

Sir Robert Grant, 1815

'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.' St. Luke xvii. 13.

SAVIOUR, when in dust to thee
Low we bow the adoring knee;
When, repentant, to the skies
Scarce we lift our weeping eyes,
O by all thy pains and woe
Suffered once for man below,
Bending from thy throne on high,
Hear our solemn litany.

2 By thy helpless infant years,
By thy life of want and tears,
By thy days of sore distress
In the savage wilderness;
By the dread mysterious hour
Of the insulting tempter's power;
Turn, O turn a favouring eye;
Hear our solemn litany.

3 By the sacred griefs that wept
O'er the grave where Lazarus slept;
By the boding tears that flowed
Over Salem's loved abode;
By the mournful word that told
Treachery lurked within thy fold;
From thy seat above the sky
Hear our solemn litany.

4 By thine hour of whelming fear;
By thine agony of prayer;
By the cross, the nail, the thorn,
Piercing spear, and torturing scorn;
By the gloom that veiled the skies
O'er the dreadful sacrifice;
Listen to our humble cry;
Hear our solemn litany.

5 By thy deep expiring groan;
By the sealed sepulchral stone;
By the vault whose dark abode
Held in vain the rising GOD;
O from earth to heaven restored,
Mighty, re-ascended LORD;
Listen, listen to the cry,
Of our solemn litany. Amen.

125

Rev. Isaac Williams, 1842.

'How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.' Ps. xxxvi. 7.

LORD, in this thy mercy's day,
Ere it wholly pass away,
On our knees we fall and pray.

2 Holy JESU, grant us tears,
Fill us with heart-searching fears,
Ere that awful doom appears.

3 LORD, on us thy SPIRIT pour,
Kneeling lowly at thy door,
Ere it close for evermore.

4 By thy night of agony,
By thy supplicating cry,
By thy willingness to die,

5 By thy tears of bitter woe,
For Jerusalem below,
Let us not thy love forego.

6 Judge and SAVIOUR of our race,
When we see thee face to face,
Grant us 'neath thy wings a place. Amen.

126

Rev. Godfrey Thring, 1865.

'Have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am weak: O Lord, heal me; for my bones are vexed.' Ps. vi. 2.

HEAL me, O my SAVIOUR, heal;
Heal me, as I suppliant kneel;
Heal me, and my pardon seal.

2 Fresh the wounds that sin hath made;
Hear the prayers I oft have prayed,
And in mercy send me aid.

3 Helpless, none can help me now;
Cheerless, none can cheer but thou;
Suppliant, LORD, to thee I bow.

4 Thou the true Physician art;
Thou, O CHRIST, canst health impart,
Binding up the bleeding heart.

5 Other comforters are gone;
Thou canst heal and thou alone,
Thou for all my sin atone.

6 Heal me then, my SAVIOUR, heal;
Heal me, as I suppliant kneel;
To thy mercy I appeal. Amen.

127

Rev. Walter Shirley, 1770

'They shall look on him whom they pierced.'
St. John xix. 37.

SWEET the moments, rich in blessing,
Which before the Cross I spend;
Life, and health, and peace possessing,
From the sinners' dying Friend.

2 Here I rest, for ever viewing
Mercy streaming in his Blood:
Precious drops, my soul bedewing,
Plead and claim my peace with GOD.

3 Truly blessèd is the station,
Low before his Cross to lie;
While I see divine compassion
Beaming in his languid eye.

4 LORD, in ceaseless contemplation
Fix my thankful heart on thee;
Till I taste thy full salvation,
And thine unveiled glory see. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

382 As pants the hart for cooling.
416 Christian! seek not yet repose.
424 O happy band of pilgrims.
434 Jesu, my Lord, my God, my All.
437 Jesu, meek and lowly.
443 Jesus, Lord of life and glory.
445 O thou, from whom all.
446 O help us, Lord; each hour of.
447 Approach, my soul, the mercy-seat.
448 Be thou my Guardian and my Guide.
450 Lord, when we bend before.
453 When our heads are bowed with.
502 Come unto me, ye weary.
503 I heard the voice of Jesus say.
504 Rest of the weary.
510 Jesu, lover of my soul.
514 Lord Jesus, think on me.
517 Lord, as to thy dear Cross we.

518 Behold the Lamb of God.
524 Father, again in Jesus' Name.
528 O thou, the contrite sinners'.
529 Just as I am—without one plea.
530 O Jesu, thou art standing.
533 Art thou weary, heavy laden.
536 O Lord, how happy should.
540 Jesus, I my cross have taken.
542 My God, my Father, while I.
543 O for a heart to praise my God.
545 There is a green hill far away.
571 All for Jesus—all for Jesus.
578 In the hour of trial.
579 Rock of ages, cleft for me.
582 O for a closer walk with God.
584 Jesu, grant me this, I pray.
586 Must Jesus bear the Cross.
587 Lord Jesu, when we stand afar.
588 In the Cross of Christ I glory.
589 Take up thy cross, the Saviour.
594 We sing the praise of him who.
664 My God, I love thee.
678 Litany of Penitence.
752 I need thee, precious Jesu.
753 I could not do without thee.
755 Thou didst leave thy throne.
757 Oh, the bitter shame and.

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PASSIONTIDE

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT, OTHERWISE CALLED PASSION SUNDAY

128 *Bp. Venantius Fortunatus* (*c.* 569).
Tr. (1933) *by Canon Percy Dearmer.*

'The cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.' Gal. vi. 14.

Vexilla Regis prodeunt.

THE royal banners forward go,
The Cross shines forth in mystic glow,
Where he, the Life, did death endure,
And by that death did life procure.

2 There was he slain in noble youth,
There suffered to maintain the truth,
And there, to cleanse the heart of man,
From out his side life's torrent ran.

3 Fulfilled is all his words foretold:
Then spread the banners, and unfold
Love's crowning power, that all may see
He reigns and triumphs from the Tree.

4 O Tree of grace, the conquering sign,
Which dost in royal purple shine,
Gone is thy shame; for, lo, each bough
Proclaims the Prince of Glory now.

5 For once thy favoured branches bore
The wealth that did the world restore,
The priceless treasure, freely spent,
To pay for man's enfranchisement.

6 FATHER of all, life's source and spring,
May every soul thy praises sing,
May those obey the rule of heaven
For whom the perfect life was given. Amen.

For another version of this hymn see A.O.H., No. 17.

129

Bp. Venantius Fortunatus (*c.* 569).
Tr. (1933) *by Canon Percy Dearmer.*

'Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you.' Gal. iii. 1.

Pange, lingua, gloriosi proelium certaminis.

SING, my tongue, the glorious battle,
Sing the ending of the fray;
Now above the Cross, the trophy,
Sound the loud triumphant lay:
Tell how CHRIST, the world's redeemer,
As a Victim won the day.

2 Tell how, when at length the fullness
Of the appointed time was come,
He, the Word, was born of woman,
Left for us his FATHER's home,
Showed to men the perfect manhood,
Shone as light amidst the gloom.

3 Thus, with thirty years accomplished,
Went he forth from Nazareth,
Destined, dedicate, and willing,
Wrought his work, and met his death;
Like a lamb he humbly yielded
On the Cross his dying breath.

4 Faithful Cross, thou sign of triumph,
Now for man the noblest Tree,
None in foliage, none in blossom,
None in fruit thy peer may be;
Symbol of the world's redemption,
For the weight that hung on thee!

5 Unto GOD be praise and glory:
To the FATHER and the SON,
To the eternal SPIRIT, honour
Now and evermore be done;
Praise and glory in the highest,
While the timeless ages run. Amen.

For another version of this hymn see A.O.H., No. 18.

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY

130 *Tr.* (1854) *from the Latin of Theodulph (c. 821) by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.' St. Mark xi. 9.

Gloria, laus, et honor.

ALL glory, laud, and honour
To thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.

2 Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the LORD's Name comest,
The King and blessèd One.
All glory, laud, and honour.

3 The company of angels
Are praising thee on high,
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply.
All glory, laud, and honour.

4 The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before thee we present.
All glory, laud, and honour.

5 To thee before thy Passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To thee now high exalted
Our melody we raise.
All glory, laud, and honour.

6 Thou didst accept their praises,
Accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest,
Thou good and gracious King.
All glory, laud, and honour.

131

Dean H. H. Milman, 1827.

'Thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation.' Zech. ix. 9.

RIDE on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;
O SAVIOUR meek, pursue thy road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

2 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O CHRIST, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

3 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The angel-squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching Sacrifice.

4 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh,
The FATHER on his sapphire throne
Expects his own anointed SON.

5 Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain;
Then take, O GOD, thy power, and reign.
Amen.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

132 *James Montgomery*, 1820.

'Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me.'
St. Matt. xi. 29.

GO to dark Gethsemane,
Ye that feel the tempter's power,
Your Redeemer's conflict see,
Watch with him one bitter hour;
Turn not from his griefs away,
Learn of JESUS CHRIST to pray.

2 Follow to the judgment-hall,
View the LORD of life arraigned;
O the wormwood and the gall!
O the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suffering, shame, or loss;
Learn of him to bear the cross.

3 Calvary's mournful mountain climb;
There, adoring at his feet,
Mark that miracle of time,
—God's own Sacrifice complete;
'It is finished,' hear him cry;
Learn of Jesus Christ to die. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

227 According to thy gracious word.
237 The heavenly Word proceeding forth.
246 Thou, who at thy first Eucharist.

GOOD FRIDAY

133 *Tr.* (1842) *from the Latin of Cardinal J. F. Bonaventura* (1221–74) *by Canon F. Oakeley.*

'Thou art worthy . . . for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood.' Rev. v. 9.

In passione Domini.

IN the Lord's atoning grief
Be our rest and sweet relief,
Store we deep in heart's recess
All the shame and bitterness.

2 Thorns, and cross, and nails, and lance,
Wounds, our rich inheritance,
Vinegar, and gall, and reed,
And the cry his soul that freed.

3 May these all our spirits fill,
And with love's devotion thrill;
In our souls plant virtue's root,
And mature its glorious fruit.

4 Crucified! we thee adore,
Thee with all our hearts implore;
Us with all thy saints unite
In the realms of heavenly light.

5 Christ, by coward hands betrayed,
Christ, for us a captive made,
Christ, upon the bitter Tree
Slain for man, be praise to thee. Amen.

134

Tr. (1837) *from the Latin of Fortunatus* (*6th cent.*) *by Bishop R. Mant.*

'The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.' Rev. xiii. 8.

Lustra sex qui jam peracta.

SEE the destined day arise,
See a willing Sacrifice;
JESUS, to redeem our loss,
Hangs upon the shameful Cross.

2 JESU, who but thou had borne,
Lifted on that tree of scorn,
Every pang and bitter throe,
Finishing thy life of woe?

3 Who but thou had dared to drain,
Steeped in gall, the cup of pain;
And with tender body bear
Thorns, and nails, and piercing spear?

4 Thence the cleansing water flowed,
Mingled from thy side with Blood;
Sign to all attesting eyes
Of the finished sacrifice.

5 Holy JESU, grant us grace
In that sacrifice to place
All our trust for life renewed,
Pardoned sin, and promised good. Amen.

135

Rev. H. Bonar, 1856.

'I acknowledge my transgressions.' Ps. li. 3.

I SEE the crowd in Pilate's hall,
Their furious cries I hear;
Their shouts of 'Crucify!' appal,
Their curses fill mine ear.
And of that shouting multitude
I feel that I am one,
And in that din of voices rude
I recognize my own.

2 I see the scourgers rend the flesh
  Of GOD's belovèd SON;
And as they smite I feel afresh
  That I of them am one.
Around the Cross the throng I see
  That mock the Sufferer's groan,
Yet still my voice it seems to be,
  As if I mocked alone.

3 'Twas I that shed the sacred Blood,
  I nailed him to the Tree,
I crucified the CHRIST of GOD,
  I joined the mockery.
Yet not the less that Blood avails
  To cleanse me from my sin,
And not the less that Cross prevails
  To give me peace within. Amen.

136

Rev. W. J. Sparrow Simpson, 1887.

'He ever liveth to make intercession.' Heb. vii. 25.

HOLY JESU, by thy passion,
  By the woes which none can share,
Borne in more than kingly fashion,
  By thy love beyond compare:
    Crucified, I turn to thee;
    Son of Mary, plead for me.

2 By the treachery and trial,
  By the blows and sore distress,
By desertion and denial,
  By thine awful loneliness:
    Crucified, I turn to thee.

3 By thy look so sweet and lowly,
  While they smote thee on the face,
By thy patience, calm and holy,
  In the midst of keen disgrace:
    Crucified, I turn to thee.

4 By the hour of condemnation,
By the Blood which trickled down,
When, for us and our salvation,
Thou didst wear the robe and crown:
Crucified, I turn to thee.

5 By the path of sorrows dreary,
By the Cross, thy dreadful load,
By the pain, when, faint and weary,
Thou didst sink upon the road:
Crucified, I turn to thee.

6 By the spirit which could render
Love for hate and good for ill,
By the mercy, sweet and tender,
Poured upon thy murderers still:
Crucified, I turn to thee. Amen.

137

Rev. W. J. Sparrow Simpson, 1887

'God that pleadeth the cause of his people.' Isa. li. 22.

JESUS, the Crucified, pleads for me,
While he is nailed to the shameful Tree,
Scorned and forsaken, derided and cursed,
See how his enemies do their worst!
Yet, in the midst of the torture and shame,
JESUS, the Crucified, breathes my name;
Wonder of wonders, oh, how can it be?
JESUS, the Crucified, pleads for me!

2 LORD, I have left thee, I have denied,
Followed the world in my selfish pride;
LORD, I have joined in the hateful cry,
Slay him, away with him, crucify!
LORD, I have done it, Oh! ask me not how;
Woven the thorns for thy tortured brow;
Yet in his pity, so boundless and free,
JESUS, the Crucified, pleads for me!

3 'Though thou hast left me and wandered away,
Chosen the darkness instead of the day;
Though thou art covered with many a stain,
Though thou hast wounded me oft and again;
Though thou hast followed thy wayward will;
Yet, in my pity, I love thee still.'
Wonder of wonders it ever must be!
JESUS, the Crucified, pleads for me!

4 JESUS is dying, in agony sore,
JESUS is suffering more and more,
JESUS is bowed with the weight of his woe,
JESUS is faint with each bitter throe.
JESUS is bearing it all in my stead,
Pity Incarnate for me has bled;
Wonder of wonders it ever must be!
JESUS, the Crucified, pleads for me! Amen.

138 *Tr.* (1857) *from the Italian* (*c.* 1815) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'The precious blood of Christ.' 1 Pet. i. 19.

Viva! viva! Gesù.

GLORY be to JESUS,
Who, in bitter pains,
Poured for me the life-blood
From his sacred veins.

2 Grace and life eternal
In that Blood I find;
Blest be his compassion
Infinitely kind.

3 Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream,
Which from endless torment
Doth the world redeem.

4 Abel's blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies;
But the Blood of JESUS
For our pardon cries.

5 Oft as it is sprinkled
On our guilty hearts,
Satan in confusion
Terror-struck departs;

6 Oft as earth exulting
Wafts its praise on high,
Angel-hosts rejoicing
Make their glad reply.

7 Lift ye then your voices;
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious Blood. Amen.

139

Tr. (1861) *from the Latin* (14*th cent.*) *by Rev. Sir H. W. Baker.*

'Lord, remember me.' St. Luke xxiii. 42.

Salve, caput cruentatum.

O SACRED head, surrounded
By crown of piercing thorn!
O bleeding head, so wounded,
Reviled, and put to scorn!
Death's pallid hue comes o'er thee,
The glow of life decays,
Yet angel-hosts adore thee,
And tremble as they gaze.

2 I see thy strength and vigour
All fading in the strife,
And death with cruel rigour
Bereaving thee of life;
O agony and dying!
O love to sinners free!
JESU, all grace supplying,
O turn thy face on me.

3 In this thý bitter Passion,
Good Shepherd, think of me
With thy most sweet compassion,
Unworthy though I be:
Beneath thy Cross abiding
For ever would I rest,
In thy dear love confiding,
And with thy presence blest. Amen.

140 *Tr.* (1830) *from the German of Rev. Paul Gerhardt* (1656) *by Rev. J. W. Alexander.*

'And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head.' St. Matt. xxvii. 29.

O Haupt voll Blut und Wunden.

O SACRED head! sore wounded,
With grief and shame weighed down;
O Kingly head! surrounded
With thorns, thine only crown;
Once reigning in the highest
In light and majesty,
Here mocked and scorned thou diest,—
And here I worship thee.

2 Thy grief and bitter Passion
Were all for sinners' gain;
Mine—mine was the transgression,
But thine the cruel pain:
Lo! here I fall, my SAVIOUR,
Turn not from me thy face,
But look on me with favour,
Vouchsafe to me thy grace.

3 Be near when I am dying;
O show thy Cross to me;
Thy death, my hope supplying,
From fear shall set me free.
These eyes, new faith receiving,
From thee shall never move;
For he who dies believing
Dies safely in thy love. Amen.

141

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1849.

'Behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow.' Lam. i. 12.

O COME and mourn with me awhile;
O come ye to the SAVIOUR'S side;
O come, together let us mourn;
JESUS, our LORD, is crucified.

2 Have we no tears to shed for him,
While soldiers scoff and foes deride?
Ah! look how patiently he hangs;
JESUS, our LORD, is crucified.

3 Seven times he spake, seven words of love,
And all three hours his silence cried
For mercy on the souls of men;
JESUS, our LORD, is crucified.

4 O break, O break, hard heart of mine!
Thy weak self-love and guilty pride
Betrayed and slew thy GOD and King;
JESUS, or LORD, is crucified.

5 A broken heart, a fount of tears,
Ask, and they will not be denied:
A broken heart love's cradle is;
JESUS, our LORD, is crucified.

6 O love of GOD, O sin of man,
In this dread act your strength is tried;
And victory remains with love;
For Love himself was crucified. Amen.

142

Tr. (1889) *from the French of Rev. Jacques Bridaine* (1701–67) *by Rev. T. B. Pollock.*

'Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example.' 1 Pet. ii. 21.

Est-ce vous que je vois.

MY LORD, my Master, at thy feet adoring,
I see thee bowed beneath thy load of woe;
For me, a sinner, is thy life-blood pouring;
For thee, my SAVIOUR, scarce my tears will flow.

2 Thine own disciple to the Jews has sold thee,
With friendship's kiss and loyal word he came;
How oft of faithful love my lips have told thee,
While thou hast seen my falsehood and my shame.

3 With taunts and scoffs they mock what seems thy weakness,
With blows and outrage adding pain to pain;
Thou art unmoved and steadfast in thy meekness;
When I am wronged how quickly I complain!

4 My LORD, my SAVIOUR, when I see thee wearing
Upon thy bleeding brow the crown of thorn,
Shall I for pleasure live, or shrink from bearing
Whate'er my lot may be of pain or scorn?

5 O Victim of thy love, O pangs most healing,
O saving death, O wounds that I adore,
O shame most glorious! CHRIST, before thee kneeling,
I pray thee keep me thine for evermore.
Amen.

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS

FIRST WORD

'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.'
St. Luke xxiii. 34.

143 *Cecil Frances Alexander*, 1875.

'FORGIVE them, O my FATHER,
They know not what they do':
The SAVIOUR spake in anguish,
As the sharp nails went through.

2 No pained reproaches gave he
To them that shed his Blood,
But prayer and tenderest pity
Large as the love of GOD.

3 For me was that compassion,
For me that tender care;
I need his wide forgiveness
As much as any there.

4 It was my pride and hardness
That hung him on the tree;
Those cruel nails, O SAVIOUR,
Were driven in by me.

5 And often I have slighted
Thy gentle voice that chid;
Forgive me too, LORD JESUS;
I knew not what I did.

6 O depth of sweet compassion!
O Love divine and true!
Save thou the souls that slight thee,
And know not what they do. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
437 Jesu, meek and lowly.
472 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost.
682 Litany of the Seven Last Words.

SECOND WORD

'To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise.'
St. Luke xxiii. 43.

144 *Archbishop W. D. Maclagan*, 1875

'LORD, when thy kingdom comes, remember me';
Thus spake the dying lips to dying ears:
O faith, which in that darkest hour could see
The promised glory of the far-off years!

2 No kingly sign declares that glory now,
No ray of hope lights up that awful hour;
A thorny crown surrounds the bleeding brow,
The hands are stretched in weakness, not in power.

3 Hark! through the gloom the dying SAVIOUR saith,
'Thou too shalt rest in paradise to-day';
O words of love to answer words of faith!
O words of hope for those who live to pray!

4 LORD, when with dying lips my prayer is said,
Grant that in faith thy kingdom I may see;
And, thinking on thy Cross and bleeding head,
May breathe my parting words, 'Remember me.'

5 Remember me, but not my shame or sin;
Thy cleansing Blood hath washed them all away;
Thy precious death for me did pardon win;
Thy Blood redeemed me in that awful day.

6 Remember me; and, ere I pass away,
Speak thou the assuring word that sets us free,
And make thy promise to my heart, 'To-day
Thou too shalt rest in paradise with me.'
Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
138 Glory be to Jesus.
514 Lord Jesus, think on me.

THIRD WORD

'Woman, behold thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother!' St. John xix. 26, 27.

145 *Tr. from the Latin ascribed to Jacopone da Todi* (1306) *by Bishop R. Mant,* 1837, *and Rev. E. Caswall,* 1849.

Stabat Mater dolorosa.

AT the Cross her station keeping
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Where he hung, the dying LORD;
For her soul of joy bereavèd,
Bowed with anguish, deeply grievèd,
Felt the sharp and piercing sword.

2 O how sad and sore distressèd
Now was she, that Mother blessèd
Of the sole-begotten One;
Deep the woe of her affliction,
When she saw the Crucifixion
Of her ever-glorious SON.

3 Who, on CHRIST's dear Mother gazing,
Pierced by anguish so amazing,
Born of woman, would not weep?
Who, on CHRIST's dear Mother thinking,
Such a cup of sorrow drinking,
Would not share her sorrow deep?

4 For his people's sins chastisèd,
She beheld her SON despisèd,
Scourged, and crowned with thorns entwined;
Saw him then from judgment taken,
And in death by all forsaken,
Till his spirit he resigned.

5 JESU, may her deep devotion
Stir in me the same emotion,
Fount of love, Redeemer kind,
That my heart fresh ardour gaining,
And a purer love attaining,
May with thee acceptance find. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
587 Lord Jesu, when we stand afar.
594 We sing the praise of him who.

FOURTH WORD

'My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?'
St. Matt. xxvii. 46.

146 *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1875.

THRONED upon the awful Tree,
King of grief, I watch with thee;
Darkness veils thine anguished face,
None its lines of woe can trace,
None can tell what pangs unknown
Hold thee silent and alone.

2 Silent through those three dread hours,
Wrestling with the evil powers,
Left alone with human sin,
Gloom around thee and within,
Till the appointed time is nigh,
Till the Lamb of GOD may die.

3 Hark that cry that peals aloud
Upward through the whelming cloud!
Thou, the FATHER's only SON,
Thou, his own Anointed One,
Thou dost ask him—can it be?—
'Why hast thou forsaken me?'

4 LORD, should fear and anguish roll
Darkly o'er my sinful soul,
Thou, who once wast thus bereft
That thine own might ne'er be left,
Teach me by that bitter cry
In the gloom to know thee nigh. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
115 O sinner, lift the eye of faith.
579 Rock of ages.

FIFTH WORD

'I thirst.' St. John xix. 28.

147 *Cecil Frances Alexander*, 1875.

HIS are the thousand sparkling rills
That from a thousand fountains burst,
And fill with music all the hills;
And yet he saith, 'I thirst.'

2 All fiery pangs on battle-fields,
On fever beds where sick men toss,
Are in that human cry he yields
To anguish on the Cross.

3 But more than pains that racked him then
Was the deep longing thirst divine,
That thirsted for the souls of men:
Dear LORD! and one was mine.

4 O Love most patient, give me grace;
Make all my soul athirst for thee;
That parched dry lip, that fading face,
That thirst were all for me. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
382 As pants the hart.
545 There is a green hill.

SIXTH WORD

'It is finished.' St. John xix. 30.

148 *Rev. Sir H. W. Baker*, 1875.

O PERFECT life of love!
All, all is finished now;
All that he left his throne above
To do for us below.

2 No work is left undone
Of all the FATHER willed;
His toil, his sorrows, one by one,
The Scriptures have fulfilled.

3 No pain that we can share
But he has felt its smart;
All forms of human grief and care
Have pierced that tender heart.

4 And on his thorn-crowned head,
And on his sinless soul,
Our sins in all their guilt were laid,
That he might make us whole.

5 In perfect love he dies:
For me he dies, for me:
O all-atoning Sacrifice,
I cling by faith to thee.

6 In every time of need,
Before the judgment-throne,
Thy work, O Lamb of GOD, I'll plead,
Thy merits, not my own.

7 Yet work, O LORD, in me
As thou for me hast wrought;
And let my love the answer be
To grace thy love has brought. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
593 When I survey the wondrous Cross.

SEVENTH WORD

'Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.'
St. Luke xxiii. 46.

149 *Eliza S. Alderson*, 1875.

AND now, belovèd LORD, thy soul resigning
Into thy FATHER's arms with conscious will,
Calmly, with reverend grace, thy head inclining,
The throbbing brow and labouring breast grow still.

2 Freely thy life thou yieldest, meekly bending
E'en to the last beneath our sorrow's load,
Yet strong in death, in perfect peace commending
Thy spirit to thy FATHER and thy GOD.

3 Sweet SAVIOUR, in mine hour of mortal anguish,
When earth grows dim, and round me falls the night,
O breathe thy peace, as flesh and spirit languish;
At that dread eventide let there be light.

4 To thy dear Cross turn thou mine eyes in dying;
Lay but my fainting head upon thy breast;
Those outstretched arms receive my latest sighing;
And then, O then, thine everlasting rest.
Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
139 O sacred head, surrounded.
384 Praise to the Holiest.
Hymns on the Cross, Nos. 586–596.

THE STORY OF THE CROSS

150 *Rev. E. Monro*, 1864.

I.—The Question

IN his own raiment clad,
With his blood dyed;
Women walk sorrowing
By his side.

2 Heavy that Cross to him,
Weary the weight;
One who will help him waits
At the gate.

3 See! they are travelling
On the same road;
Simon is sharing with
Him the load.

4 O whither wandering
Bear they that Tree?
He who first carries it,
Who is he?

II.—The Answer

5 Follow to Calvary;
Tread where he trod,
He who for ever was
Son of God.

6 You who would love him stand,
Gaze at his face:
Tarry awhile on your
Earthly race.

7 As the swift moments fly
Through the blest week,
Jesus, in penitence,
Let us seek.

8 Is there no beauty to
You who pass by,
In that lone Figure which
Marks the sky?

III.—THE STORY OF THE CROSS

9 On the Cross lifted up,
Thy face we scan,
Bearing that Cross for us,
SON of Man.

10 Thorns form thy diadem,
Rough wood thy throne;
For us thy Blood is shed,
Us alone.

11 No pillow under thee
To rest thy head;
Only the splintered Cross
Is thy bed.

12 Nails pierced thy hands and feet,
Thy side the spear;
No voice is nigh to say
Help is near.

13 Shadows of midnight fall,
Though it is day;
Thy friends and kinsfolk stand
Far away.

14 Loud is thy bitter cry;
Sunk on thy breast
Hangeth thy bleeding head
Without rest.

15 Loud scoffs the dying thief,
Who mocks at thee:
Can it, my SAVIOUR, be
All for me?

16 Gazing, afar from thee,
Silent and lone,
Stand those few weepers thou
Callest thine own.

17 We see thy title, LORD,
Inscribed above:
'JESUS of Nazareth,'
King of Love.

18 What, O my SAVIOUR,
Here didst thou see,
Which made thee suffer and
Die for me?

IV.—THE APPEAL FROM THE CROSS

19 Child of my grief and pain,
Watched by my love;
I came to call thee to
Realms above.

20 I saw thee wandering
Far off from me:
In love I seek for thee;
Do not flee.

21 For thee my Blood I shed,
For thee I died:
Safe in my faithfulness
Now abide.

22 Weep not for my grief,
Child of my love;
Strive to be with me in
Heaven above.

V.—THE RESOLVE

23 O I will follow thee,
Star of my soul,
Through the deep shades of life
To the goal.

24 Yea, let thy Cross be borne
Each day by me;
Mind not how heavy, if
But with thee.

25 LORD, if thou only wilt,
Make us thine own,
Give no companion, save
Thee alone.

26 Grant through each day of life
To stand by thee;
With thee, when morning breaks
Ever to be. Amen.

If desired, the following selection of verses may be sung:

IN his own raiment clad,
With his blood dyed;
Women walk sorrowing
By his side.

2 Follow to Calvary;
Tread where he trod,
He who for ever was
SON of GOD.

3 On the Cross lifted up,
Thy face we scan,
Bearing that Cross for us,
SON of Man.

4 Thorns form thy diadem,
Rough wood thy throne;
For us thy Blood is shed,
Us alone.

5 We see thy title, LORD,
Inscribed above:
'JESUS of Nazareth,'
King of Love.

6 O I will follow thee,
Star of my soul,
Through the deep shades of life
To the goal.

7 Yea, let thy Cross be borne
Each day by me;
Mind not how heavy, if
But with thee.

8 Grant through each day of life
To stand by thee;
With thee, when morning breaks
Ever to be. Amen.

GOOD FRIDAY EVENING AND EASTER EVEN

151 *Rev. T. Whytehead,* 1842.

'In the garden a new sepulchre, . . . There laid they Jesus.'
St. John xix. 41, 42.

RESTING from his work to-day
In the tomb the SAVIOUR lay;
Still he slept, from head to feet
Shrouded in the winding-sheet,
Lying in the rock alone,
Hidden by the sealèd stone.

2 Late at even there was seen
Watching long the Magdalene;
Early, ere the break of day,
Sorrowful she took her way
To the holy garden glade,
Where her buried LORD was laid.

3 So with thee, till life shall end,
I would solemn vigil spend;
Let me hew thee, LORD, a shrine
In this rocky heart of mine,
Where in pure embalmèd cell
None but thou may ever dwell.

4 Myrrh and spices will I bring,
True affection's offering;
Close the door from sight and sound
Of the busy world around;
And in patient watch remain
Till my LORD appear again. Amen.

152

Archbishop W. D. Maclagan, 1875.

'Quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison.' 1 Peter iii. 18, 19.

IT is finished! Blessèd JESUS,
Thou hast breathed thy latest sigh,
Teaching us, the sons of Adam,
How the SON of GOD can die.

2 Lifeless lies the piercèd body,
Hidden in its rocky bed,
Laid aside like folded garment:
Where is now the spirit fled?

3 In the gloomy realms of darkness
Shines a light unknown before,
For the LORD of dead and living
Enters at the open door.

*4 See! he comes a willing Victim,
Unresisting hither led;
Passing from the Cross of sorrow
To the mansions of the dead.

5 Lo! the heavenly light around him
As he draws his people near;
All amazed they stand rejoicing;
At the gracious words they hear.

*6 For himself proclaims the story
Of his own incarnate life,
And the death he died to save us,
Victor in that awful strife.

7 Patriarch and priest and prophet
Gather round him as he stands,
In adoring faith and gladness,
Hearing of the piercèd hands.

*8 O the bliss to which he calls them,
Ransomed by his precious Blood,
From the gloomy realms of darkness
To the Paradise of GOD!

9 There in lowliest joy and wonder
Stands the robber at his side,
Reaping now the blessèd promise
Spoken by the Crucified.

10 JESUS, LORD of dead and living,
Let thy mercy rest on me;
Grant me too, when life is finished,
Rest in Paradise with thee. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
667 O Paradise, O Paradise.
673 On the resurrection morning.

EASTER

153 *Anon.*, 1749.

'The Lord is risen indeed.' St. Luke xxiv. 34.

JESUS CHRIST is risen to-day,
Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day,
Alleluia!
Who did once upon the Cross
Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss.
Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing
Alleluia!
Unto CHRIST, our heavenly King,
Alleluia!

Who endured the Cross and grave,
Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save.
Alleluia!

3 But the pains which he endured
Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured;
Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King,
Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing.
Alleluia! Amen.

154

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1739.

'Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.' Acts ii. 24.

'CHRIST the LORD is risen to-day',
Sons of men and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high;
Sing, ye heavens; thou earth reply.

2 Love's redeeming work is done;
Fought the fight, the battle won:
Lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!
Lo, he sets in blood no more!

3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;
CHRIST hath burst the gates of hell;
Death in vain forbids his rise!
CHRIST hath opened Paradise.

4 Hail the LORD of earth and heaven!
Praise to thee by both be given:
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the Resurrection thou! Amen.

155

Tr. (1858) *from the German of Rev. M. Weisse* (1531) *by Catherine Winkworth.*

'I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore.' Rev. i. 18.

Christus ist erstanden.

CHRIST the LORD is risen again;
CHRIST hath broken every chain;
Hark! angelic voices cry,
Singing evermore on high,
Alleluia!

2 He, who gave for us his life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb to-day;
We too sing for joy, and say
Alleluia!

3 He, who bore all pain and loss
Comfortless upon the Cross,
Lives in glory now on high,
Pleads for us, and hears our cry;
Alleluia!

4 Now he bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restored,
How the penitent forgiven,
How we too may enter heaven.
Alleluia!

5 Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
CHRIST, thy ransomed people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away,
That we all may sing for aye
Alleluia! Amen.

156

Tr. (1884) *from the Latin of Fortunatus (6th cent.) by Canon T. A. Lacey.*

'Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.' 1 Cor. xv. 57.

Salve, festa dies.

HAIL! Festal Day, to endless ages known,
When CHRIST, *o'er death victorious, gained his throne.*

2 Now, with the LORD of new and heavenly birth,
His gifts return to grace the springing earth.
Hail! Festal Day.

3 He reigns supreme, who died the death of shame,
And all created things adore his Name.
Hail! Festal Day.

4 Fulfil thy promise, King of Love, we pray!
The third morn brightens, rise and come away.
Hail! Festal Day.

5 No mould'ring tomb shall hold thee in repose;
No stone the Ransom of the world enclose.
Hail! Festal Day.

6 Who holdest all things in thy hollowed hand,
No rocky barrier can before thee stand.
Hail! Festal Day.

7 Cast off the grave-clothes; let them there remain:
Come forth to us, our All, our only gain.
Hail! Festal Day.

8 Creator, Fount of Life, thou know'st the grave:
And thence returning thou art strong to save.
Hail! Festal Day.

9 Light of the world, show us thy face once more,
The day that died with thee, to-day restore.
Hail! Festal Day.

10 A countless people, from death's fetters free,
Own thee Redeemer, join and follow thee.
Hail! Festal Day.

11 The shades of death are pierced, his laws undone,
And trembling chaos flees the rising Sun.
Hail! Festal Day, to endless ages known,
When CHRIST, *o'er death victorious, gained his throne.*

157

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1846.

'He is risen, as he said.' St. Matt. xxviii. 6.

HE is risen, he is risen,
Tell it with a joyful voice,
He has burst his three days' prison,
Let the whole wide earth rejoice;
Death is conquered, man is free,
CHRIST has won the victory.

2 Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,
With glad smile and radiant brow;
Lent's long shadows have departed,
All his woes are over now,
And the Passion that he bore;
Sin and pain can vex no more.

3 He is risen, he is risen;
He hath opened heaven's gate;
We are free from sin's dark prison,
Risen to a holier state;
And a brighter Easter beam
On our longing eyes shall stream. Amen.

158

Tr. (1851) *from the Latin* (*6th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

'Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast.' 1 Cor. v. 7, 8.

Ad coenam Agni providi.

THE Lamb's high banquet called to share,
Arrayed in garments white and fair,
The Red Sea past, we fain would sing
To JESUS our triumphant King.

2 Upon the Altar of the Cross
His Body hath redeemed our loss;
And, tasting of his precious Blood,
Our life is hid with him in GOD.

3 Protected in the paschal night
From the destroying angel's might,
In triumph went the ransomed free
From Pharaoh's cruel tyranny.

4 Now CHRIST our Passover is slain,
The Lamb of GOD without a stain;
His Flesh, the true unleavened Bread,
Is freely offered in our stead.

5 O all sufficient Sacrifice,
Beneath thee hell defeated lies;
Thy captive people are set free,
And endless life restored in thee.

6 We hymn thee rising from the grave,
From death returning, strong to save;
Thine own right hand the tyrant chains,
And Paradise for man regains.

7 All praise be thine, O risen LORD,
From death to endless life restored;
All praise to GOD the FATHER be
And HOLY GHOST eternally. Amen.

159 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin* (*c. 7th cent*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them.' Col. ii. 15.

Aurora lucis rutilat.

PART 1

LIGHT'S glittering morn bedecks the sky;
Heaven thunders forth its victor-cry;
The glad earth shouts her triumph high,
And groaning hell makes wild reply;

2 While he, the King, the mighty King,
Despoiling death of all its sting,
And, trampling down the powers of night,
Brings forth his ransomed souls to light.

3 His tomb of late the threefold guard
Of watch and stone and seal had barred;
But now, in pomp and triumph high,
He comes from death to victory.

4 The pains of hell are loosed at last;
The days of mourning now are past;
An angel robed in light hath said,
'The LORD is risen from the dead.'

PART 2

5 The apostles' hearts were full of pain
For their dear LORD so lately slain,
By rebel servants doomed to die
A death of cruel agony.

6 With gentle voice the angel gave
The women tidings at the grave;
'Fear not, your Master shall ye see;
He goes before to Galilee.'

7 Then, hastening on their eager way
The joyful tidings to convey,
Their LORD they met, their living LORD,
And, falling at his feet, adored.

8 The eleven, when they hear, with speed
To Galilee forthwith proceed,
That there once more they may behold
The LORD's dear face, as he foretold.

PART 3

9 That Easter-tide with joy was bright,
The sun shone out with fairer light,
When, to their longing eyes restored,
The apostles saw their risen LORD.

10 He bade them see his hands, his side,
Where yet the glorious wounds abide;
The tokens true which made it plain
Their LORD indeed was risen again.

11 JESU, the King of gentleness,
Do thou thyself our hearts possess,
That we may give thee all our days
The tribute of our grateful praise. Amen.

The following may be sung at the end of each Part.

O LORD of all, with us abide
In this our joyful Easter-tide;
From every weapon death can wield
Thine own redeemed for ever shield. Amen.

160 *Tr.* (1853) *from the Latin* (10*th cent.*) *by Jane E. Leeson.*

'Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.' Rev. v. 12.

Victimae Paschali.

CHRIST the LORD is risen to-day;
Christians, haste your vows to pay;
Offer ye your praises meet
At the Paschal Victim's feet.
For the sheep the Lamb hath bled,
Sinless in the sinner's stead;
'CHRIST is risen,' to-day we cry;
Now he lives no more to die.

2 CHRIST, the Victim undefiled,
Man to GOD hath reconciled;
Whilst in strange and awful strife
Met together Death and Life:
Christians, on this happy day
Haste with joy your vows to pay;
'CHRIST is risen,' to-day we cry;
Now he lives no more to die.

3 CHRIST, who once for sinners bled,
Now the first-born from the dead,
Throned in endless might and power,
Lives and reigns for evermore.
Hail, Eternal Hope on high!
Hail, thou King of victory!
Hail, thou Prince of life adored!
Help and save us, gracious LORD. Amen.

161

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin* (1632) *by Robert Campbell.*

'Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast.' 1 Cor. v. 7, 8.

Ad regias Agni dapes.

AT the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
Who hath washed us in the tide
Flowing from his piercèd side;
Praise we him, whose love divine
Gives his sacred Blood for wine,
Gives his Body for the feast,
CHRIST the Victim, CHRIST the Priest.

2 Where the paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we CHRIST, whose Blood was shed,
Paschal Victim, Paschal Bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.

3 Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;
Thou hast conquered in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light;
Now no more can death appal,
Now no more the grave enthral!
Thou hast opened Paradise,
And in thee thy saints shall rise.

4 Easter triumph, Easter joy,
Sin alone can this destroy;
From sin's power do thou set free
Souls new-born, O LORD, in thee.
Hymns of glory and of praise,
FATHER, unto thee we raise;
Risen LORD, all praise to thee,
With the SPIRIT, ever be. Amen.

162 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin of* 17*th cent. by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.' St. John xx. 29.

O filii et filiae.

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of heaven, the glorious King,
O'er death to-day rose triumphing.
Alleluia!

2 That Easter morn, at break of day,
The faithful women went their way
To seek the tomb where JESUS lay.
Alleluia!

3 An angel clad in white they see,
Who sat, and spake unto the three,
'Your LORD doth go to Galilee.'
Alleluia!

4 That night the apostles met in fear;
Amidst them came their LORD most dear,
And said, 'My peace be on all here.'
Alleluia!

5 When Thomas first the tidings heard,
How they had seen the risen LORD,
He doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia!

6 'My piercèd side, O Thomas, see;
My hands, my feet, I show to thee;
Not faithless, but believing be.'
Alleluia!

7 No longer Thomas then denied;
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
'Thou art my LORD and GOD,' he cried.
Alleluia!

8 How blest are they who have not seen,
And yet whose faith hath constant been,
For they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia!

9 On this most holy day of days,
To GOD your hearts and voices raise
In laud, and jubilee, and praise.
Alleluia! Amen.

163

Tr. (1859) *from the Latin* (17*th cent.*) *by Rev. F. Pott.*

'He hath triumphed gloriously.' Exod. xv. 1.

Finita jam sunt proelia.

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
The strife is o'er, the battle done;
Now is the Victor's triumph won;
O let the song of praise be sung.
Alleluia!

2 Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
And JESUS hath his foes dispersed;
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.
Alleluia!

3 He closed the yawning gates of hell,
The bars from heaven's high portals fell,
Let songs of praise his triumph tell!
Alleluia!

4 On the third morn he rose again,
Glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain,
Alleluia!

5 LORD, by the stripes which wounded thee,
From death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to thee.
Alleluia! Amen.

164

Tr. (1853) *from the Greek of St. John of Damascus* (750) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.' Ps. cxviii. 24.

Ἀναστάσεως ἡμέρα.

THE day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of GOD!
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our CHRIST hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
That we may see aright
The LORD in rays eternal
Of resurrection light;
And, listening to his accents,
May hear so calm and plain
His own 'All hail', and, hearing,
May raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
  Let earth her song begin,
The round world keep high triumph,
  And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen
  Their notes of gladness blend,
For CHRIST the LORD is risen,
  Our Joy that hath no end. Amen.

165

Tr. (1853) *from the Greek of St. John of Damascus* (750) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Lo, the winter is past, . . . The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come.' Song of Solomon ii. 11, 12.

Ἄισωμεν πάντες λαοί.

COME, ye faithful, raise the strain
  Of triumphant gladness;
GOD hath brought his Israel
  Into joy from sadness;
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
  Jacob's sons and daughters;
Led them with unmoistened foot
  Through the Red Sea waters.

2 'Tis the spring of souls to-day;
  CHRIST hath burst his prison,
And from three days' sleep in death
  As a sun hath risen;
All the winter of our sins,
  Long and dark, is flying
From his light, to whom we give
  Laud and praise undying.

3 Now the queen of seasons, bright
  With the day of splendour,
With the royal feast of feasts,
  Comes its joy to render;

Comes to glad Jerusalem,
Who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains
JESUS' resurrection!

4 Neither might the gates of death,
Nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal,
Hold thee as a mortal;
But to-day amidst the twelve
Thou didst stand, bestowing
That thy peace which evermore
Passeth human knowing.

5 Alleluia now we cry
To our King Immortal,
Who triumphant burst the bars
Of the tomb's dark portal;
Alleluia, with the SON
GOD the FATHER praising;
Alleluia yet again
To the SPIRIT raising. Amen.

166

Rev. A. T. Gurney, 1862.

'He is risen.' St. Matt. xxviii. 7.

CHRIST is risen! CHRIST is risen!
He hath burst his bonds in twain;
CHRIST is risen! CHRIST is risen!
Alleluia! swell the strain!
For our gain he suffered loss
By divine decree;
He hath died upon the Cross,
But our GOD is he.

CHRIST is risen! CHRIST is risen!
He hath burst his bonds in twain;
CHRIST is risen! CHRIST is risen!
Alleluia! swell the strain!

2 See the chains of death are broken;
Earth below and heaven above
Joy in each amazing token
Of his rising, LORD of love;
He for evermore shall reign
By the FATHER's side,
Till he comes to earth again,
Comes to claim his Bride.

CHRIST is risen!

3 Glorious angels downward thronging
Hail the LORD of all the skies;
Heaven, with joy and holy longing
For the WORD Incarnate, cries,
'Sun and stars and earth rejoice!
CHRIST is risen again!
All creation, find a voice;
He o'er all shall reign.'

CHRIST is risen! CHRIST is risen!
He hath burst his bonds in twain;
CHRIST is risen! CHRIST is risen!
Alleluia! swell the strain! Amen.

167 *Bishop Christopher Wordsworth*, 1862.

'Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.' 1 Cor. xv. 20.

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to GOD a hymn of gladness,
Sing to GOD a hymn of praise;
He who on the Cross a victim
For the world's salvation bled,
JESUS CHRIST, the King of glory,
Now is risen from the dead.

2 CHRIST is risen, CHRIST the first-fruits
Of the holy harvest field,
Which will all its full abundance
At his second coming yield;

Then the golden ears of harvest
Will their heads before him wave,
Ripened by his glorious sunshine,
From the furrows of the grave.

3 CHRIST is risen, we are risen;
Shed upon us heavenly grace,
Rain, and dew, and gleams of glory
From the brightness of thy face;
That we, with our hearts in heaven,
Here on earth may fruitful be,
And by angel-hands be gathered,
And be ever, LORD, with thee.

4 Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to GOD on high;
Alleluia to the SAVIOUR,
Who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the SPIRIT,
Fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
To the Triune Majesty. Amen.

168 *Tr.* (1868) *from the Latin of Fortunatus (6th cent.) by Rev. John Ellerton.*

'I am he that liveth, and was dead.' Rev. i. 18.

Salve, festa dies.

'WELCOME, happy morning!' age to age shall say;
Hell to-day is vanquished! Heaven is won to-day!
Lo! the Dead is living, GOD for evermore,
Him, their true Creator, all his works adore;
'Welcome, happy morning!' age to age shall say;
Hell to-day is vanquished! Heaven is won to-day!

2 Earth with joy confesses, clothing her for spring,
All good gifts return with her returning King;
Bloom in every meadow, leaves on every bough,
Speak his sorrows ended, hail his triumph now:
'*Welcome, happy morning!*'

*3 Months in due succession, days of lengthening light,
Hours and passing moments praise thee in their flight;
Brightness of the morning, sky and fields and sea,
Vanquisher of darkness, bring their praise to thee:
'*Welcome, happy morning!*'

4 Maker and Redeemer, Life and Health of all,
Thou from Heaven beholding human nature's fall.
Of the Eternal FATHER true and only SON,
Manhood to deliver, manhood didst put on:
'*Welcome, happy morning!*'

5 Thou, of life, the Author, death didst undergo,
Tread the path of darkness, saving strength to show;
Come then, True and Faithful, now fulfil thy word;
'Tis thine own third morning; rise, O buried LORD!
'*Welcome, happy morning!*'

6 Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain;
All that now is fallen raise to life again;
Show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see!
Bring again our daylight: day returns with thee;
'*Welcome, happy morning!*' Amen.

169 *Tr.* (1850) *from the Latin of St. Fulbert of Chartres* (*d.* 1028) *by Robert Campbell.*

'O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?' 1 Cor. xv. 55.

Chorus novae Jerusalem.

YE choirs of new Jerusalem,
Your sweetest notes employ,
The Paschal victory to hymn
In strains of holy joy.

2 For Judah's Lion bursts his chains,
Crushing the serpent's head;
And cries aloud through death's domains
To wake the imprisoned dead.

3 Devouring depths of hell their prey
At his command restore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way
Where JESUS goes before.

4 Triumphant in his glory now
To him all power is given;
To him in one communion bow
All saints in earth and heaven.

5 While we, his soldiers, praise our King,
His mercy we implore,
Within his palace bright to bring
And keep us evermore.

6 All glory to the FATHER be,
All glory to the SON,
All glory, HOLY GHOST, to thee,
While endless ages run. Amen.

EASTER CAROL

170 *A. M. Milner-Barry*, 1926.

'Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre.' St. John xix. 41.

GOOD Joseph had a garden
Close by that sad green hill,
Where JESUS died a bitter death
To save mankind from ill.

*2 One evening in that garden,
Their faces dark with gloom,
They laid the SAVIOUR's body
Within good Joseph's tomb.

*3 There came the holy women
With spices and with tears;
The angels tried to comfort them,
But could not calm their fears.

4 Came Mary to that garden
And sobbed with heart forlorn;
She thought she heard the gardener ask
'Whom seekest thou this morn?'

5 She heard her own name spoken,
And then she lost her care;
All in his strength and beauty
The Risen LORD stood fair.

6 Good Joseph had a garden;
Amid its trees so tall
The LORD CHRIST stood on Easter Day.
He lives to save us all.

7 And as he rose at Easter
He is alive for aye,
The very same LORD JESUS CHRIST
Who hears us sing to-day.

8 Go tell the LORD CHRIST's message,
The Easter triumph sing,
Till all his waiting children know
That JESUS is their King. Amen.

This hymn may also be sung, beginning with the following refrain:

Sing the joy of Easter Day,
The Easter triumph tell,
JESUS rose on Easter Day,
The LORD who loves us well.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

235 Lord, enthroned in heavenly.
354 All hail the power of Jesus'.
357 At the Name of Jesus.
359 Come, ye faithful, raise the.
392 Rejoice, the Lord is King.
395 Come, let us join our cheerful.
515 I know that my Redeemer lives.
606 Jesus lives! thy terrors now.
628 Light's abode, celestial Salem.
673 On the resurrection morning.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

442 Shepherd Divine, our wants.
539 The King of love.
547 The Lord's my Shepherd.

ROGATIONTIDE

171 *Rev. John Keble*, 1856.

'The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.' Ps. cxlv. 15.

LORD, in thy Name thy servants plead,
And thou hast sworn to hear;
Thine is the harvest, thine the seed,
The fresh and fading year.

2 Our hope, when autumn winds blew wild,
We trusted, LORD, with thee:
And still, now spring has on us smiled,
We wait on thy decree.

3 The former and the latter rain,
The summer sun and air,
The green ear, and the golden grain,
All thine, are ours by prayer.

4 Thine too by right, and ours by grace,
The wondrous growth unseen,
The hopes that soothe, the fears that brace,
The love that shines serene.

5 So grant the precious things brought forth
By sun and moon below,
That thee in thy new heaven and earth
We never may forego.

6 To FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

172

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1871.

'Help us, O God of our salvation.' Ps. lxxix. 9.

TO thee our GOD we fly
For mercy and for grace;
O hear our lowly cry,
And hide not thou thy face.
O LORD, stretch forth thy mighty hand,
And guard and bless our native land.

2 Thy best gifts from on high
In rich abundance pour,
That we may magnify
And praise thee more and more.
O LORD, stretch forth.

3 The Church of thy dear SON
Inflame with love's pure fire,
Bind her once more in one,
And life and truth inspire.
O LORD, stretch forth.

4 The powers ordained by thee
With heavenly wisdom bless;
May they thy servants be,
And rule in righteousness.
O LORD, stretch forth.

5 Give peace, LORD, in our time;
O let no foe draw nigh,
Nor lawless deed of crime
Insult thy Majesty.
O LORD, stretch forth thy mighty hand,
And guard and bless our native land. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

64 The Lord will come.
378 God of mercy, God of grace.
429 O God of Bethel, by whose.
443 Jesus, Lord of life and glory.
506 O Christ, who holds the open.
562 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless.
659 Judge eternal, throned in.

ASCENSIONTIDE

173 *Tr.* (1884) *from the Latin of Fortunatus (6th cent.) by Rev. Canon T. A. Lacey.*

'When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive.' Eph. iv. 8.

Salve, festa dies.

HAIL! Festal Day! to endless ages known,
When GOD ascended to his starry throne.

2 Now with the LORD, of new and heavenly birth,
His gifts return to grace the springing earth.
Hail! Festal Day.

3 Now glows the year, with painted flowers' array,
And warmer light unbars the gates of day.
Hail! Festal Day.

4 Now CHRIST, from gloomy hell, comes triumphing,
And field and grove with flower and leafage spring.
Hail! Festal Day.

5 The reign of death o'erthrown, he mounts on high,
Sent forth with joyous praise from sea and sky.
Hail! Festal Day.

6 Loose now the captives, loose the prison door,
The fallen, from the deep, to light restore.
Hail! Festal Day.

7 A countless people from death's fetters free
Own thee Redeemer, join and follow thee.
Hail! Festal Day.

8 Creator and Redeemer! CHRIST our Light!
The One-Begotten of the FATHER's might.
Hail! Festal Day.

9 Co-equal, Co-eternal, thou to whom
The kingdom of the world decreed shall come.
Hail! Festal Day.

10 Thou, looking on our race in darkness laid,
To rescue man, true Man thyself wast made.
Hail! Festal Day! to endless ages known,
When GOD ascended to his starry throne.

174

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1739.

'Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.' Ps. xxiv. 7.

HAIL the day that sees him rise
Alleluia!
To his throne above the skies;
Alleluia!

CHRIST, the Lamb for sinners given,
Alleluia!
Enters now the highest heaven!
Alleluia!

2 There for him high triumph waits;
Alleluia!
Lift your heads, eternal gates;
Alleluia!
He hath conquered death and sin;
Alleluia!
Take the King of glory in.
Alleluia!

3 Lo! the heaven its LORD receives,
Alleluia!
Yet he loves the earth he leaves;
Alleluia!
Though returning to his throne,
Alleluia!
Still he calls mankind his own.
Alleluia!

4 See! he lifts his hands above,
Alleluia!
See! he shows the prints of love;
Alleluia!
Hark! his gracious lips bestow
Alleluia!
Blessings on his Church below.
Alleluia!

5 Still for us he intercedes,
Alleluia!
His prevailing death he pleads,
Alleluia!
Near himself prepares our place,
Alleluia!
He the first-fruits of our race.
Alleluia!

6 LORD, though parted from our sight
Alleluia!
Far above the starry height,
Alleluia!
Grant our hearts may thither rise,
Alleluia!
Seeking thee above the skies.
Alleluia! Amen.

175 *Tr.* (1837) *from the Latin* (*c. 7th cent.*) *by Rev. John Chandler.*

'Thou hast led captivity captive.' Ps. lxviii. 18.

Jesu, nostra redemptio.

JESU, our Hope, our heart's Desire,
Thy work of grace we sing;
Redeemer of the world art thou,
Its Maker and its King.

2 How vast the mercy and the love
Which laid our sins on thee,
And led thee to a cruel death,
To set thy people free!

3 But now the bonds of death are burst;
The ransom has been paid;
And thou art on thy FATHER's throne,
In glorious robes arrayed.

4 O may thy mighty love prevail
Our sinful souls to spare!
O may we stand around thy throne,
And see thy glory there!

5 JESU, our only Joy be thou,
As thou our Prize wilt be;
In thee be all our glory now
And through eternity.

6 All praise to thee who art gone up
Triumphantly to heaven;
All praise to GOD the FATHER's Name
And HOLY GHOST be given. Amen.

176

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862.

'God, who is rich in mercy . . . hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.' Eph. ii. 4, 6.

SEE the Conqueror mounts in triumph,
See the King in royal state
Riding on the clouds his chariot
To his heavenly palace gate;
Hark! the choirs of angel voices
Joyful alleluias sing,
And the portals high are lifted
To receive their heavenly King.

2 Who is this that comes in glory,
With the trump of jubilee?
LORD of battles, GOD of armies,
He has gained the victory;
He who on the Cross did suffer,
He who from the grave arose,
He has vanquished sin and Satan,
He by death has spoiled his foes.

3 While he lifts his hands in blessing,
He is parted from his friends;
While their eager eyes behold him,
He upon the clouds ascends;
He who walked with GOD, and pleased him,
Preaching truth and doom to come,
He, our Enoch, is translated
To his everlasting home.

4 Now our heavenly Aaron enters,
With his blood, within the veil;
Joshua now is come to Canaan,
And the kings before him quail;
Now he plants the tribes of Israel
In their promised resting-place;
Now our great Elijah offers
Double portion of his grace.

5 He has raised our human nature
On the clouds to GOD's right hand;
There we sit in heavenly places,
There with him in glory stand:
JESUS reigns, adored by angels;
Man with GOD is on the throne;
Mighty LORD, in thine Ascension
We by faith behold our own. Amen.

If a doxology is required it will be found at the end of the next hymn.

177

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862.

'But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.' Acts vii. 55.

HOLY GHOST, Illuminator,
Shed thy beams upon our eyes,
Help us to look up with Stephen,
And to see, beyond the skies,
Where the SON of Man in glory
Standing is at GOD's right hand,
Beckoning on his martyr army,
Succouring his faithful band;

2 See him, who is gone before us,
Heavenly mansions to prepare;
See him, who is ever pleading
For us with prevailing prayer;
See him, who with sound of trumpet
And with his angelic train,
Summoning the world to judgment,
On the clouds will come again.

3 Lift us up from earth to heaven,
Give us wings of faith and love,
Gales of holy aspirations
Wafting us to realms above;

That, with hearts and minds uplifted,
We with CHRIST our LORD may dwell,
Where he sits enthroned in glory
In his heavenly citadel.

4 So at last, when he appeareth,
We from out our graves may spring,
With our youth renewed like eagles,
Flocking round our heavenly King,
Caught up on the clouds of heaven,
And may meet him in the air,
Rise to realms where he is reigning,
And may reign for ever there.

5 Glory be to GOD the FATHER,
Glory be to GOD the SON,
Dying, risen, ascending for us,
Who the heavenly realm has won.
Glory to the HOLY SPIRIT;
To ONE GOD in Persons THREE
Glory both in earth and heaven,
Glory, endless glory be. Amen.

178

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1872.

'Set your affection on things above.' Col. iii. 2.

O CHRIST, thou hast ascended
Triumphantly on high,
By cherub guards attended
And armies of the sky:
Let earth tell forth the story,—
Our very flesh and bone,
Emmanuel, in glory,
Ascends his FATHER's throne.

2 Heaven's gates unfold above thee:
But canst thou, LORD, forget
The little band who love thee
And gaze from Olivet?

Nay, on thy breast engraven
Thou bearest every name,
Our Priest in earth and heaven
Eternally the same.

3 There, there thou standest pleading
The virtue of thy Blood,
For sinners interceding,
Our Advocate with GOD;
And every changeful fashion
Of our brief joys and cares
Finds thought in thy compassion
And echo in thy prayers.

4 O for the priceless merit
Of thy redeeming Cross!
Vouchsafe thy sevenfold SPIRIT
And turn to gain our loss;
Till we by strong endeavour
In heart and mind ascend,
And dwell with thee for ever
In glories without end. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

235 Lord, enthroned in heavenly.
241 Once, only once.
263 Christ is gone up.
354 All hail the power of Jesus'.
359 Come, ye faithful, raise the.
367 Crown him with many crowns.
380 Hail, thou once despisèd Jesus.
386 The Lord is King.
389 Look, ye saints.
392 Rejoice, the Lord is King.
397 Alleluia! sing to Jesus.
452 Where high the heavenly.
501 Golden harps are sounding.
590 The head that once was.
608 Jerusalem on high.
610 Jerusalem, my happy home.
620 There is a land of pure delight.
622 For ever with the Lord.
623 There is no night in heaven.

626 Brief life is here our portion.
627 Jerusalem the golden.
631 Those eternal bowers.
663 Let me be with thee where thou.

And Ancient Office Hymns.

WHITSUNTIDE

179 *Tr.* (1871) *from the Latin* (*c. 8th cent.*) *by Rev. John Ellerton and Rev. F. J. A. Hort.*

'And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.' Acts ii. 4.

Beata nobis gaudia.

JOY! because the circling year
Brings our day of blessings here,
Day when first the light divine
On the Church began to shine.

2 Like to quivering tongues of flame
Unto each the SPIRIT came,
Tongues, that earth might hear their call,
Fire, that love might burn in all.

3 So the wondrous works of GOD
Wondrously were spread abroad;
Every tribe's familiar tone
Made the glorious marvel known.

4 Hardened scoffers vainly jeered;
Listening strangers heard and feared,
Knew the prophet's word fulfilled,
Owned the work which GOD had willed.

5 Still thy SPIRIT's fulness, LORD,
On thy waiting Church be poured;
Grant our burdened hearts release;
Grant us thine abiding peace. Amen.

For a different translation see Ancient Office Hymns, No. 24.

180

Rev. John Keble, 1827.

'And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind.' Acts ii. 2.

WHEN GOD of old came down from heaven,
In power and wrath he came;
Before his feet the clouds were riven,
Half darkness and half flame:

2 But, when he came the second time,
He came in power and love;
Softer than gale at morning prime
Hovered his holy Dove.

3 The fires, that rushed on Sinai down
In sudden torrents dread,
Now gently light, a glorious crown,
On every sainted head.

4 And as on Israel's awe-struck ear
The voice exceeding loud,
The trump, that angels quake to hear,
Thrilled from the deep, dark cloud;

5 So, when the SPIRIT of our GOD
Came down his flock to find,
A voice from heaven was heard abroad,
A rushing, mighty wind.

6 It fills the Church of GOD; it fills
The sinful world around;
Only in stubborn hearts and wills
No place for it is found.

7 Come LORD, come Wisdom, Love, and Power,
Open our ears to hear;
Let us not miss the accepted hour;
Save, LORD, by love or fear. Amen.

181

Anon., 1774.

'The churches . . . were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.' Acts ix. 31.

SPIRIT of mercy, truth, and love,
O shed thine influence from above;
And still from age to age convey
The wonders of this sacred day.

2 In every clime, by every tongue,
Be GOD's eternal praises sung;
Let all the listening earth be taught
The acts our great Redeemer wrought.

3 Unfailing Comfort, heavenly Guide,
Still o'er thy Holy Church preside;
Still let mankind thy blessings prove,
SPIRIT of mercy, truth, and love. Amen.

182

Rev. S. J. Wallis, S.S.J.E., 1934.

'The spirit of glory and of God.' 1 Peter iv. 14.

HAIL thee! SPIRIT co-eternal,
Love omnipotent, supernal;
Honour meet to thee we render,
Veneration deep and tender;
Hail, LORD GOD, the HOLY GHOST!

2 Hail, free SPIRIT, all transcending,
Yet to mortals condescending!
At this festal tide we laud thee,
Praise and homage we accord thee:
Hail, LORD GOD, the HOLY GHOST!

3 Gracious SPIRIT, light diffusing,
Breath of life in man infusing;
Blessed are the souls that know thee,
Joy and peace thy children owe thee;
Hail, LORD GOD, the HOLY GHOST!

4 Truth eternal, wise Creator,
Fallen man's illuminator!
Light of reason, hope, ambition,
Fire of love and true contrition:
Hail, LORD GOD, the HOLY GHOST!

5 SPIRIT, man for sin reproving,
Wayward hearts most gently moving;
When by sin we sorely grieve thee,
Nought but pleading Love perceive we:
Hail, LORD GOD, the HOLY GHOST! Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
246 Thou, who at thy first Eucharist.
265 Lord, pour thy Spirit.
273 O Spirit of the living God.
472 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost.
477–489 Hymns to the Holy Spirit.
783 Spirit of the living God.

TRINITY SUNDAY

183 *Tr.* (1852) *from the Latin* (*c.* 10*th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

'The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.' 2 Cor. xiii. 14.

Adesto, sancta Trinitas.

BE present, HOLY TRINITY,
Like splendour, and one DEITY:
Of things above, and things below,
Beginning, that no end shall know.

2 Thee all the armies of the sky
Adore, and laud, and magnify;
And Nature, in her triple frame,
For ever sanctifies thy Name.

3 And we, too, thanks and homage pay,
Thine own adoring flock to-day;
O join to that celestial song
The praises of our suppliant throng!

4 Light, sole and one, we thee confess,
With triple praise we rightly bless;
Alpha and Omega we own,
With every spirit round thy throne.

5 To thee, O unbegotten ONE,
And thee, O sole-begotten SON,
And thee, O HOLY GHOST, we raise
Our equal and eternal praise. Amen.

184

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862.

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.' Isa. vi. 3.

HOLY, Holy, Holy, LORD
GOD of hosts, eternal King,
By the heavens and earth adored;
Angels and archangels sing,
Chanting everlastingly
To the blessèd TRINITY.

2 Since by thee were all things made,
And in thee do all things live,
Be to thee all honour paid,
Praise to thee let all things give,
Singing everlastingly
To the blessèd TRINITY.

3 Thousands, tens of thousands stand,
Spirits blest before thy throne,
Speeding thence at thy command;
And when thy command is done,
Singing everlastingly
To the blessèd TRINITY.

4 Cherubim and seraphim
Veil their faces with their wings;
Eyes of angels are too dim
To behold the King of kings,
While they sing eternally
To the blessèd TRINITY.

5 Thee, apostles, prophets, thee,
Thee, the noble martyr band
Praise with solemn jubilee,
Thee, the Church in every land;
Singing everlastingly
To the blessèd TRINITY.

6 Alleluia! LORD, to thee,
FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
THREE in ONE and ONE in THREE,
Join we with the heavenly host,
Singing everlastingly
To the blessèd TRINITY. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God.
22 Holy Father, cheer our way.
47 O day of rest.
368 Ancient of days.
369 Bright the vision.
371 The God of Abraham praise.
436 Have mercy on us, God most.
439 Three in One, and One in Three.
441 Holy Father, hear me.
451 Father of heaven, whose love.
464 Command thy blessing.
812 St. Patrick's Breast-plate.

SAINTS' DAYS AND OTHER HOLY DAYS

185 *Earl Nelson*, 1864.

'Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.' Rev. xv. 3.

FROM all thy saints in warfare, for all thy saints at rest,
To thee, O blessèd JESU, all praises be addressed.
Thou, LORD, didst win the battle, that they might conquerors be;
Their crowns of living glory are lit with rays from thee.

Insert here the stanza for the special Saint's Day to be celebrated.

SAINT ANDREW

2 Praise, LORD, for thine apostle, the first to welcome thee,
The first to lead his brother the very CHRIST to see.
With hearts for thee made ready, watch we throughout the year,
Forward to lead our brethren to own thine Advent near.

SAINT THOMAS

3 All praise for thine apostle, whose short-lived doubtings prove
Thy perfect twofold nature, the fulness of thy love.
On all who wait thy coming shed forth thy peace, O LORD,
And grant us faith to know thee, true Man, true GOD, adored.

SAINT STEPHEN

4 Praise for the first of martyrs, who saw thee ready stand,
To aid in midst of torment, to plead at GOD's right hand.
Share we with him, if summoned by death our LORD to own,
On earth the faithful witness, in heaven the martyr-crown.

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

5 Praise for the loved disciple, exile on Patmos' shore;
Praise for the faithful record he to thy Godhead bore.
Praise for the mystic vision, through him to us revealed;
May we, in patience waiting, with thine elect be sealed.

THE INNOCENTS' DAY

6 Praise for thine infant martyrs, by thee with tenderest love
Called early from the warfare to share the rest above.
O Rachel, cease thy weeping; they rest from pains and cares:
LORD, grant us hearts as guileless, and crowns as bright as theirs.

THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL

7 Praise for the light from heaven, praise for the voice of awe,
Praise for the glorious vision the persecutor saw.
Thee, LORD, for his conversion, we glorify to-day:
Enlighten all our darkness with thy true SPIRIT's ray.

SAINT MATTHIAS

8 LORD, thine abiding presence directs the wondrous choice;
For one in place of Judas the faithful now rejoice.
Thy Church from false apostles for evermore defend,
And, by thy parting promise, be with her to the end.

SAINT MARK

9 For him, O LORD, we praise thee, the weak by grace made strong,
Whose labours and whose gospel enrich our triumph-song.
May we in all our weakness find strength from thee supplied,
And all as fruitful branches in thee, the Vine, abide.

SAINT PHILIP AND SAINT JAMES

10 All praise for thine apostle, blest guide to Greek and Jew,
And him surnamed thy brother; keep us thy brethren true.
And grant the grace to know thee, the Way, the Truth, the Life;
To wrestle with temptations till victors in the strife.

SAINT BARNABAS

11 The Son of Consolation, moved by thy law of love,
Forsaking earthly treasures, sought riches from above.
As earth now teems with increase, let gifts of grace descend,
That thy true consolations may through the world extend.

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

12 We praise thee for the Baptist, forerunner of the WORD,
Our true Elias, making a highway for the LORD.
Of prophets last and greatest, he saw thy dawning ray,
Make us the rather blessèd, who love thy glorious day.

SAINT PETER

13 Praise for thy great apostle, the eager and the bold;
Thrice falling, yet repentant, thrice charged to feed thy fold.
LORD, make thy pastors faithful, to guard their flocks from ill;
And grant them dauntless courage with humble earnest will.

SAINT JAMES

14 For him, O LORD, we praise thee, who, slain by Herod's sword,
Drank of thy cup of suffering, fulfilling thus thy word.
Curb we all vain impatience to read thy veiled decree;
And count it joy to suffer, if so brought nearer thee.

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW

15 All praise for thine apostle, the faithful, pure, and true,
Whom, underneath the fig-tree, thine eye all-seeing knew.
Like him may we be guileless, true Israelites indeed;
That thine abiding presence our longing souls may feed.

SAINT MATTHEW

16 Praise, LORD, for him whose gospel thy human life declared,
Who, worldly gains forsaking, thy path of suffering shared.
From all unrighteous mammon, O give us hearts set free,
That we, whate'er our calling, may rise and follow thee.

SAINT LUKE

17 For that beloved physician, all praise, whose gospel shows
The Healer of the nations, the Sharer of our woes.
Thy wine and oil, O SAVIOUR, on bruised hearts deign to pour,
And with true balm of Gilead anoint us evermore.

SAINT SIMON AND SAINT JUDE

18 Praise, LORD, for thine apostles, who sealed
their faith to-day:
One love, one zeal impelled them to tread the
sacred way.
May we with zeal as earnest the faith of CHRIST
maintain,
And, bound in love as brethren, at length thy
rest attain.

GENERAL ENDING

19 Apostles, prophets, martyrs, and all the sacred
throng,
Who wear the spotless raiment, who raise the
ceaseless song;
For these, passed on before us, SAVIOUR, we
thee adore,
And, walking in their footsteps, would serve
thee more and more.

20 Then praise we GOD the FATHER, and praise
we GOD the SON,
And GOD the HOLY SPIRIT, eternal THREE in
ONE;
Till all the ransomed number fall down before
the throne,
And honour, power, and glory ascribe to
GOD alone. Amen.

For Festivals of Saints, Apostles, Evangelists, and Martyrs see Ancient Office Hymns.

SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE

November 30

186 *Cecil Frances Alexander*, 1852.

'Faithful is he that calleth you.' 1 Thess. v. 24.

JESUS calls us! O'er the tumult
Of our life's wild restless sea
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
Saying, 'Christian, follow me:'

2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it
By the Galilean lake,
Turned from home, and toil, and kindred,
Leaving all for his dear sake.

3 JESUS calls us from the worship
Of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us,
Saying, 'Christian, love me more.'

4 In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
'Christian, love me more than these.'

5 JESUS calls us! By thy mercies,
SAVIOUR, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
589 Take up thy cross.

SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

December 21

187 *Canon William Bright*, 1874.

'Be not faithless, but believing.' St. John xx. 27.

HOW oft, O LORD, thy face hath shone
On doubting souls, whose wills were true!
Thou CHRIST of Cephas and of John,
Thou art the CHRIST of Thomas too.

2 He loved thee well, and calmly said,
'Come, let us go, and die with him:'
Yet when thine Easter-news was spread,
'Mid all its light his eyes were dim.

3 His brethren's word he would not take,
But craved to touch those hands of thine:
The bruisèd reed thou didst not break;
He saw, and hailed his LORD Divine.

4 He saw thee risen; at once he rose
To full belief's unclouded height;
And still through his confession flows
To Christian souls thy life and light.

5 O SAVIOUR, make thy presence known
To all who doubt thy Word and thee;
And teach them in that Word alone
To find the truth that sets them free.

6 And we who know how true thou art,
And thee as GOD and LORD adore,
Give us, we pray, a loyal heart,
To trust and love thee more and more. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
162 O sons and daughters.

THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL

January 25

188 *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1871.

'Suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven.' Acts ix. 3.

WE sing the glorious conquest
Before Damascus' gate,
When Saul, the Church's spoiler,
Came breathing threats and hate;
The ravening wolf rushed forward
Full early to the prey;
But lo! the Shepherd met him,
And bound him fast to-day.

2 O glory most excelling
That smote across his path!
O light that pierced and blinded
The zealot in his wrath!
O voice that spake within him
The calm reproving word!
O love that sought and held him
The bondman of his LORD!

3 O Wisdom, ordering all things
In order strong and sweet,
What nobler spoil was ever
Cast at the Victor's feet?
What wiser master-builder
E'er wrought at thine employ
Than he, till now so furious
Thy building to destroy?

4 LORD, teach thy Church the lesson,
Still in her darkest hour
Of weakness and of danger
To trust thy hidden power:
Thy grace by ways mysterious
The wrath of man can bind,
And in thy boldest foeman
Thy chosen saint can find. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE
COMMONLY CALLED

THE PURIFICATION OF SAINT MARY THE VIRGIN

February 2

189 *Tr.* (1849) *from the Latin of Canon J.-B. de Santeüil* (*17th cent.*) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'They brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord.' St. Luke ii. 22.

Templi sacratas pande, Sion, fores.

O SION, open wide thy gates,
Old types now disappear;
A Priest and Victim, both in one,
The Truth himself, is here.

2 No more the simple flock shall bleed;
Behold, the FATHER'S SON
Himself to his own altar comes,
For sinners to atone.

3 Conscious of hidden Deity,
The lowly Virgin brings
Her new-born Babe, with two young doves,
Her tender offerings.

4 The aged Simeon sees at last
His LORD so long desired,
And Anna welcomes Israel's Hope,
With holy rapture fired.

5 But silent knelt the Mother blest
Of the yet silent WORD
And, pondering all things in her heart,
With speechless praise adored.

6 All glory to the FATHER be,
All glory to the SON,
All glory, HOLY GHOST, to thee,
While endless ages run. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

192 The God whom earth.
210 If thou hast the skill.
384 Praise to the Holiest.
398 Ye watchers and ye holy ones
470 Love divine, all loves.
554 Blest are the pure in heart.

SAINT MATTHIAS THE APOSTLE

February 24

190 *Dean Henry Alford*, 1844.

'The lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.' Acts i. 26.

THE highest and the holiest place
Guards not the heart from sin;
The Church that safest seems without
May harbour foes within.

2 Thus in the small and chosen band,
Beloved above the rest,
One fell from his apostleship,
A traitor-soul unblest.

3 But not the great designs of GOD
Man's sins shall overthrow;
Another witness to the truth
Forth to the lands shall go.

4 The soul that sinneth, it shall die;
Thy purpose shall not fail;
The word of grace no less shall sound,
The truth no less prevail.

5 Righteous, O LORD, are all thy ways;
Long as the worlds endure,
From foes without and foes within
Thy Church shall stand secure. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
264 O thou who makest souls to.

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

March 25

191 *From 'Hymns for the Festivals'*, 1846.

'And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.' St. Luke i. 28.

PRAISE we the LORD this day,
This day so long foretold,
Whose promise shone with cheering ray
On waiting saints of old.

2 The prophet gave the sign
For faithful men to read;
A Virgin, born of David's line,
Shall bear the promised Seed.

3 Ask not how this should be,
But worship and adore;
Like her, whom Heaven's own Majesty
Came down to shadow o'er.

4 Meekly she bowed her head
To hear the gracious word,
Mary, the pure and lowly maid,
The favoured of the LORD.

5 Blessèd shall be her name
In all the Church on earth,
Through whom that wondrous mercy came,
The Incarnate SAVIOUR's birth.

6 JESU, the Virgin's Son,
We praise thee and adore,
Who art with GOD the FATHER ONE
And SPIRIT evermore. Amen.

192

Ascribed to Fortunatus (c. 569). Tr. (1854) from the Latin of 9th cent. by Rev. J. M. Neale.

'And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee.' St. Luke i. 35.

Quem terra, pontus, aethera.

THE GOD whom earth, and sea, and sky
Adore, and laud, and magnify,
Whose might they own, whose praise they swell,
In Mary's womb vouchsafed to dwell.

2 The LORD whom sun and moon obey,
Whom all things serve from day to day,
Was by the HOLY GHOST conceived
Of her who through his grace believed.

3 How blest that Mother, in whose shrine
The world's Creator, LORD Divine,
Whose hand contains the earth and sky,
Once deigned, as in his ark, to lie;

4 Blest in the message Gabriel brought,
Blest by the work the SPIRIT wrought;
From whom the great Desire of earth
Took human flesh and human birth.

5 O LORD, the Virgin-born, to thee
Eternal praise and glory be,
Whom with the FATHER we adore
And HOLY GHOST for evermore. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

86 Jesus, Name of wondrous love.
357 At the Name of Jesus.
384 Praise to the Holiest.
525 Jesus, I will trust thee.
807 Sing of Mary, pure and lowly.
490–494 Hymns on the Holy Name.
And Ancient Office Hymns, No. 31.

SAINT MARK THE EVANGELIST

April 25

193 *Laurence Housman*, 1906.

'John, whose surname was Mark.' Acts xii. 12.

THE saint who first found grace to pen
The life which was the Life of men,
And shed abroad the Gospel's ray,
His fame we celebrate to-day.

2 Lo, drawn by Pentecostal fire,
His heart conceived its great desire,
When pure of mind, inspired, he heard
And with his hand set forth the Word.

3 Then, clearly writ, the Godhead shone
Serene and fair to look upon;
And through that record still comes power
To lighten souls in death's dark hour.

4 O holy mind, for wisdom fit
Wherein that Life of lives stood writ,
May we through minds of like accord
Show forth the pattern of our LORD.

5 And so may all whose minds are dark
Be led to truth by good Saint Mark,
And after this our earthly strife
Stand written in the Book of Life. Amen.

SAINT PHILIP AND SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLES

May 1

194 *William Edgar Enman*, 1908.

'I am the way, the truth, and the life.' St. John xiv. 6.

KING of saints, we offer
Highest praise to thee,
Who didst free thy servants
From captivity;
Sending thine apostles
To convey thy grace
Unto every nation
And to every race.

King of saints, we praise thee
For the gospel light
Borne by thine apostles
Through the realms of night.

2 Two of thine apostles
We remember now,
Whom thou didst so freely
With thy grace endow.
Thou unto Saint Philip
Hast thyself revealed,
One with GOD the FATHER
Though in flesh concealed.

King of saints, we praise thee.

3 O how can we thank thee
For the light conferred
By Saint James thy servant,
In his faithful word.
Like these two apostles
Faithful unto death,
May we love and serve thee
Till our latest breath.

King of saints, we praise thee.

4 Make us, dear Redeemer,
More and more like thee,
Be the Way to lead us
Over life's dark sea;
Be the Truth to light us
To our home on high;
Be the Life within us
That can never die.

King of saints, we praise thee
For the gospel light
Borne by thine apostles
Through the realms of night. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

321 Thy kingdom come, O God.
404 The Son of God goes forth.
591 Thou art the Way.

SAINT BARNABAS THE APOSTLE

June 11

195 *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1871.

'Barnabas, which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation.' Acts iv. 36.

O SON of GOD, our Captain of Salvation,
Thyself by suffering schooled to human grief,
We bless thee for thy sons of consolation,
Who follow in the steps of thee their Chief:

2 Those whom thy SPIRIT's dread vocation severs
To lead the vanguard of thy conquering host;
Whose toilsome years are spent in brave endeavours
To bear thy saving Name from coast to coast;

3 Those whose bright faith makes feeble hearts grow stronger,
And sends fresh warriors to the great campaign,
Bids the lone convert feel estranged no longer,
And wins the sundered to be one again;

4 And all true helpers, patient, kind, and skilful,
Who shed thy light across our darkened earth,
Counsel the doubting, and restrain the wilful,
Soothe the sick bed, and share the children's mirth.

5 Such was thy Levite, strong in self-oblation
To cast his all at thine apostles' feet;
He whose new name, through every Christian nation,
From age to age our thankful strains repeat.

6 Thus, LORD, thy saint in holy memory keeping,
Still be thy Church's watchword, 'Comfort ye';
Till in our FATHER's house shall end our weeping,
And all our wants be satisfied in thee.
Amen.

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 24

196 *Tr.* (1839) *from the Latin of C. Coffin* (1736) *by Rev. I. Williams.*

'There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.'
St. John i. 6.

Nunc suis tandem novus e latebris.

LO! from the desert homes,
Where he hath hid so long,
The new Elias comes,
In sternest wisdom strong;
The voice that cries
Of CHRIST from high,
And judgment nigh
From opening skies.

2 Your God e'en now doth stand
At heaven's opening door;
His fan is in his hand,
And he will purge his floor
The wheat he claims
And with him stows;
The chaff he throws
To quenchless flames.

3 Ye haughty mountains, bow
Your sky-aspiring heads;
Ye valleys, hiding low,
Lift up your gentle meads;
Make his way plain
Your King before,
For evermore
He comes to reign.

4 May thy dread voice around,
Thou harbinger of Light,
On our dull ears still sound,
Lest here we sleep in night,
Till judgment come,
And on our path
Shall burst the wrath,
And deathless doom.

5 O God, with love's sweet might,
Who dost anoint and arm
Christ's soldier for the fight
With grace that shields from harm,
Thrice Blessèd Three,
Heaven's endless days
Shall sing thy praise
Eternally. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
806 Lamb of God.

SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE

June 29

197 *Bishop Philip Carrington*, 1938.

'Upon this rock I will build my church.' St. Matt. xvi. 18.

WE bless the GOD and FATHER
Of JESUS CHRIST our LORD,
For saints of old who suffered
By fire or cross or sword,
Passed through the fiery furnace
As gold without alloy,
Triumphant over trials,
Accounting it all joy.

2 He heard thy Word eternal
By whom the worlds were made,
St. Peter at his labour,
A fisherman by trade;
Beside the shining water
He heard the 'Follow me',
Laid down his nets, and followed;
And so, dear LORD, may we.

3 GOD bless all seamen, braving
The peril of the deep;
All fishermen and mariners
In thy protection keep;
As thou didst save St. Peter,
As thou didst save St. Paul,
From reef and shoal and tempest,
O LORD, defend them all.

4 We bless the GOD and FATHER
Of JESUS CHRIST our LORD,
For saints of old who suffered
By fire or cross or sword.

O may we join our voices
With those whose strife is o'er,
Who wear the crown of glory,
And praise thee evermore.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

348 Christ is made the sure.
358 Christ is our Corner-stone.
589 Take up thy cross.

SAINT JAMES THE APOSTLE

July 25

198 *Anon.*

'James the son of Zebedee.' St. Matt. iv. 21.

WE praise thy Name, O LORD most high,
Redeemer of our souls from death,
And all thy mercies magnify,
In making known thy saving faith.

2 Thou didst the humble fisher call
Beside the shores of Galilee:
At thy command he gave up all,
And left his nets to follow thee.

3 O happy choice, for earthly toil
The strife to rescue souls from sin;
For treasures that may rust and spoil,
The crown of heavenly life to win.

4 O favoured one, who, ere he knew
The sharpness of the coming cross,
Of thy bright beauty caught the view
That turns to gain all earthly loss.

5 Thy promise is fulfilled, and he
Dares in thy painful steps to go:
To drink thy cup of agony,
And drain the bitter dregs of woe.

6 Grant, LORD, that hope of seeing thee
In bliss, may us with courage nerve,
The world and all its pomp to flee,
Our cross to bear, and thee to serve. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
283 Lord of all power and might.
631 Those eternal bowers.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

August 6

199 *Bishop W. Walsham How*, 1871.

'And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun.' St. Matt. xvii. 2.

UPON the holy mount they stood
That wondrous, awful night;
They saw, and knew that it was good
To see that vision bright.

2 No Man of Sorrows stands there now;
But, keen as lightning flame,
The streams of heavenly radiance flow
From that transfigured Frame.

3 Beneath that mount another scene
They saw, when morning smiled;
A father, torn with anguish keen,
Sought mercy for his child.

4 No more the blaze of glistering light
Enwraps the Form divine,
But tender love and healing might
Around him softly shine.

5 He came from hours of rapture high
To care for human woe;
So angels from GOD'S presence fly
To succour men below.

6 O JESU, be our life like thine;
Blest labour, doubly blest
By communings with things divine
Upon the mountain's crest.

7 LORD, we would pass from hours of prayer,
That lift our souls above,
To go where want and sorrow are
With lowly deeds of love.

8 Let no self-will within us lurk,
No faithless sloth be there;
But prayer give life to all our work,
And work crown all our prayer. Amen.

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE

August 24

200 *Athelstan Riley*, 1905.

'He ordained twelve, . . . that he might send them forth.'
St. Mark iii. 14.

SAINTS of GOD! LO, JESUS' people
Age to age your glory tell;
In his name for us ye laboured,
Now in bliss eternal dwell.

2 Twelve poor men, by CHRIST anointed,
Braved the rich, the wise, the great,
All the world counts dear rejecting,
Rapt in their apostolate.

3 Thus the earth their death-wounds purchased,
Hallowed by the blood therefrom
On her bosom bore the nations,
Laved, illumined—Christendom.

4 On this feast, Almighty FATHER,
May we praise thee with the SON,
Evermore his love confessing,
Who from BOTH with BOTH is ONE. Amen.

SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

September 21

201 *vv.* 1, 2, 3, *Bishop W. Walsham How*, 1871;
vv. 4, 5, 6, *Bishop Thomas Ken*, 1721.

'He left all, rose up, and followed him.' St. Luke v. 28.

'BEHOLD, the Master passeth by!'
O seest thou not his pleading eye?
With low sad voice he calleth thee:
Leave this vain world and follow me.

2 O soul bowed down with harrowing care,
Hast thou no thought for heaven to spare?
From earthly toils lift up thine eye:
Behold, the Master passeth by!

3 One heard him calling long ago,
And straightway left all things below,
Counting his earthly gain as loss
For JESUS and his blessèd Cross.

4 That 'Follow me' his faithful ear
Seemed every day afresh to hear;
Its echoes stirred his spirit still,
And fired his hope, and nerved his will.

5 GOD sweetly calls us every day:
Why should we then our bliss delay?
He calls to heaven and endless light:
Why should we love the dreary night?

6 Praise, LORD, to thee for Matthew's call,
At which he left his earthly all;
Thou, LORD, e'en now art calling me,—
I will leave all, and follow thee. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
540 Jesus, I my cross have taken.
576 Take my life, and let it be.
580 Thy life was given for me.

SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

September 29

202

R. Campbell, 1850.

'Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?' Heb. i. 14.

THEY come, GOD's messengers of love,
They come from realms of peace above,
From homes of never-fading light,
From blissful mansions ever bright.

2 They come to watch around us here,
To soothe our sorrow, calm our fear:
Ye heavenly guides, speed not away,
GOD willeth you with us to stay.

3 But chiefly at its journey's end
'Tis yours the spirit to befriend,
And whisper to the faithful heart,
'O Christian soul, in peace depart.'

4 Blest JESU, thou whose groans and tears
Have sanctified frail nature's fears,
To earth in bitter sorrow weighed
Thou didst not scorn thine angels' aid;

5 To us the zeal of angels give,
With love to serve thee while we live;
To us an angel-guard supply,
When on the bed of death we lie.

6 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
And GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
From all above and all below
Let joyful praise unceasing flow. Amen.

203

Rev. John M. Neale, 1843.

'Are they not all ministering spirits . . .?' Heb. i. 14.

AROUND the throne of GOD a band
Of glorious angels ever stand;
Bright things they see, sweet harps they hold,
And on their heads are crowns of gold.

2 Some wait around him, ready still
To sing his praise and do his will;
And some, when he commands them, go
To guard his servants here below.

3 LORD, give thy angels every day
Command to guide us on our way,
And bid them every evening keep
Their watch around us while we sleep.

4 So shall no wicked thing draw near,
To do us harm or cause us fear;
And we shall dwell, when life is past,
With angels round thy throne at last. Amen.

204

Tr. (1862) *from the Greek of St. Joseph the Hymnographer, 9th cent., by Rev. John M. Neale.*

'The morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy.' Job xxxviii. 7.

Φωστῆρες τῆς ἀΰλου.

STARS of the morning, so gloriously bright,
Filled with celestial virtue and light,
These that, where night never followeth day,
Raise the 'Trisagion'[1] ever and aye:

[1] In Greek, from which this hymn is translated, Trisagion' is the same as the Latin 'Tersanctus' and the English 'Thrice-Holy'.

2 These are thy ministers, these dost thou own,
LORD GOD of Sabaoth, nearest thy throne;
These are thy messengers, these dost thou send,
Help of the helpless ones! man to defend.

3 These keep the guard amidst Salem's dear bowers,
Thrones, Principalities, Virtues, and Powers,
Where, with the Living Ones, mystical Four,
Cherubim, Seraphim bow and adore.

4 Then, when the earth was first poised in mid space,
Then, when the planets first sped on their race,
Then, when were ended the six days' employ,
Then all the sons of GOD shouted for joy.

5 Still let them succour us; still let them fight,
LORD of angelic hosts, battling for right;
Till, where their anthems they ceaselessly pour,
We with the angels may bow and adore. Amen.

205

Dean F. W. Farrar, 1856.

'An innumerable company of angels.' Heb. xii. 22.

FATHER, before thy throne of light
The guardian angels bend,
And ever in thy presence bright
Their psalms adoring blend;
And casting down each golden crown
Beside the crystal sea,
With voice and lyre, in happy choir,
Hymn glory, LORD, to thee.

2 And as the rainbow lustre falls
Athwart their glowing wings,
While seraph unto seraph calls,
And each thy goodness sings;

O may we feel, as low we kneel
  To pray thee for thy grace,
That thou art here for all who fear
  The brightness of thy face.

3 Here where the angels see us come
  To worship day by day,
Teach us to seek our heavenly home,
  And serve thee e'en as they;
With them to raise our notes of praise,
  With them thy love to own;
That childhood's flower and manhood's power
  Be thine and thine alone. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

23 God, that madest earth and.
30 Hear our prayer, O heavenly.
54 Our day of praise is done.
319 It came upon the midnight clear.
353 Praise, my soul, the King of.
369 Bright the vision that delighted.
372 O praise ye the Lord.
375 Ye holy angels bright.
391 Songs of praise the angels sang.
394 Angel-voices, ever singing.
395 Come, let us join our cheerful.
398 Ye watchers and ye holy ones.
430 Hark! hark, my soul.

Ancient Office Hymns, No. 30 Thee, O Christ, the Father's splendour.

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST

October 18

206 *Archbishop W. D. Maclagan*, 1873.

'Luke, the beloved physician.' Col. iv. 14.

WHAT thanks and praise to thee we owe,
  O Priest and Sacrifice Divine,
For thy dear saint through whom we know
  So many a gracious word of thine;

2 Whom thou didst choose to tell the tale
  Of all thy manhood's toils and tears,
And for a moment lift the veil
  That hides thy boyhood's spotless years.

3 How many a soul with guilt oppressed
  Has learned to hear the joyful sound
In that sweet tale of sin confessed,
  The father's love, the lost and found!

4 What countless worshippers have sung,
  In lowly fane or lofty choir,
The song that loosed the silent tongue
  Of him who was the Baptist's sire!

5 And still the Church through all her days
  Uplifts the strains that never cease,
The Blessèd Virgin's hymn of praise,
  The agèd Simeon's words of peace.

6 O happy saint! whose sacred page,
  So rich in words of truth and love,
Pours on the Church from age to age
  This healing unction from above;

7 The witness of the SAVIOUR'S life,
  The great apostle's chosén friend
Through weary years of toil and strife,
  And still found faithful to the end.

8 So grant us, LORD, like him to live,
  Beloved by man, approved by thee,
Till thou at last the summons give,
  And we, with him, thy face shall see. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

298 From thee all skill.
299 Father of mercy, lover of all.
495 Father of mercies, in thy Word.
498 Lord, thy Word abideth.
812 St. Patrick's Breast-plate.

SAINT SIMON AND SAINT JUDE THE APOSTLES

October 28

207 *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1874.

'He . . . began to send them forth by two and two.'
St. Mark vi. 7.

THOU who sentest thine apostles
Two and two before thy face,
Partners in the night of toiling,
Heirs together of thy grace,
Throned at length, their labours ended,
Each in his appointed place;

2 Praise to thee for those thy champions
Whom our hymns to-day proclaim;
One whose zeal by thee enlightened
Burned anew with nobler flame;
One, the kinsman of thy childhood,
Brought at last to know thy Name.

3 Praise to thee! thy fire within them
Spake in love, and wrought in power;
Seen in mighty signs and wonders
In thy Church's morning hour;
Heard in tones of sternest warning
When the storms began to lower.

4 GOD the FATHER, great and wondrous
In thy works, to thee be praise;
King of saints, to thee be glory,
Just and true in all thy ways;
Praise to thee, from both proceeding,
HOLY GHOST, through endless days. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

208 Who are these like stars.
412 Onward, Christian soldiers.
416 Christian! seek not yet repose.
424 O happy band of pilgrims.

ALL SAINTS' DAY

November 1

208 *Tr.* (1841) *from the German of Rev. H. T. Schenk* (1719) *by Frances E. Cox.*

'What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?' Rev. vii. 13.

Wer sind die vor Gottes Throne.

WHO are these like stars appearing,
These, before GOD's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing,
Who are all this glorious band?
Alleluia, hark! they sing,
Praising loud their heavenly King.

2 Who are these in dazzling brightness,
Clothed in GOD's own righteousness?
These, whose robes of purest whiteness
Shall their lustre still possess,
Still untouched by time's rude hand;
Whence come all this glorious band?

3 These are they who have contended
For their SAVIOUR's honour long,
Wrestling on till life was ended,
Following not the sinful throng;
These, who well the fight sustained,
Triumph through the Lamb have gained.

4 These are they whose hearts were riven,
Sore with woe and anguish tried,
Who in prayer full oft have striven
With the GOD they glorified;
Now, their painful conflict o'er,
GOD has bid them weep no more.

5 These, the Almighty contemplating,
Did as priests before him stand,
Soul and body always waiting
Day and night at his command:
Now in GOD's most holy place
Blest they stand before his face. Amen.

209

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1864.

'We also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses.' Heb. xii. 1.

FOR all the saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O JESU, be for ever blest.
Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, LORD, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia!

3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia!

4 O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia!

5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Alleluia!

7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array:
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia!

8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
Alleluia! Amen.

210

Tr. (1861) *from the Latin ascribed to St. Thomas à Kempis,* 14*th cent., by Rev. J. M. Neale and others.*

'These are they which came out of great tribulation.'
Rev. vii. 14.

Quisquis valet numerare.

IF thou hast the skill to reckon
All the number of the blest,
Thou perchance canst weigh the gladness
Of the everlasting rest,
Which, their earthly exile finished,
They forever have possest.

2 Through the vale of lamentation
Safely passed for evermore,
To the SAVIOUR that redeemed them
These redeemed ones praises pour;
And the Monarch that rewards them
These rewarded saints adore.

3 O what splendour, O what beauty
Lightens round the happy place
Where amidst the blessèd legions
Who have triumphed by his grace
Stands the LORD's own Virgin Mother
Gazing on her SAVIOUR's face.

4 In that joy the Angel cohorts
And the Saints that fill the skies,
And the Apostolic chorus,
And the Martyrs sympathize,
And all saintly men and women
Bend on CHRIST adoring eyes.

5 In a glass, through types and shadows,
Dwelling here, we see alone;
Then, serenely, purely, clearly,
We shall know as we are known,
Fixing our enlightened vision
On the glory of the throne.

6 There the TRINITY of Persons
Unbeclouded we shall see;
There the Unity of Essence
Perfectly revealed shall be;
While we hail the Threefold Godhead,
And the simple UNITY. Amen.

211

Archbishop W. D. Maclagan, 1870.

'There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.'
Heb. iv. 9.

THE saints of GOD! their conflict past,
And life's long battle won at last,
No more they need the shield or sword,
They cast them down before their LORD:
O happy saints, for ever blest,
At JESUS' feet how safe your rest!

2 The saints of GOD! their wanderings done,
No more their weary course they run,
No more they faint, no more they fall,
No foes oppress, no fears appal:
O happy saints, for ever blest,
In that dear home how sweet your rest!

3 The saints of GOD! life's voyage o'er,
Safe landed on that blissful shore,
No stormy tempests now they dread,
No roaring billows lift their head:
O happy saints, for ever blest,
In that calm haven of your rest!

4 The saints of GOD their vigil keep
While yet their mortal bodies sleep,
Till from the dust they too shall rise
And soar triumphant to the skies:
O happy saints, rejoice and sing:
He quickly comes, your LORD and King!

5 O GOD of saints! to thee we cry;
O SAVIOUR! plead for us on high;
O HOLY GHOST! our Guide and Friend,
Grant us thy grace till life shall end;
That with all saints our rest may be
In that bright Paradise with thee. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

215 Give me the wings of faith.
216 How bright these glorious.
217 For all thy saints, O Lord.
218 Hark! the sound of holy voices.
354 All hail the power.
398 Ye watchers and ye holy ones.
404 The Son of God goes forth.
610 Jerusalem, my happy home.
611 Let saints on earth in concert.
614 Where the Light for ever.
619 Palms of glory.
627 Jerusalem the golden.
633 They whose course on earth.

See also hymns Nos. 606–633 (Communion of Saints).

FESTIVALS OF APOSTLES

212 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin of St. Ambrose* (340–97) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

'The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.' Rev. xxi. 14.

Aeterna Christi munera.

THE eternal gifts of CHRIST the King,
The apostles' glory, let us sing;
And all, with hearts of gladness, raise
Due hymns of thankful love and praise.

2 For they the Church's princes are,
Triumphant leaders in the war,
In heavenly courts a warrior band,
True lights to lighten every land.

3 Theirs is the steadfast faith of saints,
And hope that never yields nor faints,
And love of CHRIST in perfect glow
That lays the prince of this world low.

4 In them the FATHER's glory shone,
In them the will of GOD the SON,
In them exults the HOLY GHOST,
Through them rejoice the heavenly host.

5 To thee, Redeemer, now we cry,
That thou wouldst join to them on high
Thy servants, who this grace implore,
For ever and for evermore. Amen.

213

Tr. (1861) *from the Latin of Canon J.-B. de Santeüil* (1686) *by Rev. Sir H. W. Baker.*

'That ye may . . . sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.' St. Luke xxii. 30.

Caelestis aulae principes.

CAPTAINS of the saintly band,
Lights who lighten every land,
Princes who with JESUS dwell,
Judges of his Israel,

2 On the nations sunk in night
Ye have shed the gospel light;
Sin and error flee away,
Truth reveals the promised day.

3 Not by warrior's spear and sword,
Not by art of human word,
Preaching but the Cross of shame,
Rebel hearts for CHRIST ye tame.

4 Earth, that long in sin and pain
Groaned in Satan's deadly chain,
Now to serve its GOD is free
In the law of liberty.

5 Distant lands with one acclaim
Tell the honour of your name,
Who, wherever man has trod,
Teach the mysteries of GOD.

6 Glory to the THREE in ONE
While eternal ages run,
Who from deepest shades of night
Called us to his glorious light. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
415 Soldiers, who are Christ's.

FESTIVALS OF EVANGELISTS

214 *Tr.* (1861) *from the Latin of Canon J.-B. de Santeüil* (1686) *by Rev. I. Williams and others.*

'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings.' Isa. lii. 7.

Christi perennes nuntii.

BEHOLD the messengers of CHRIST,
Who bear to every place
The unveiled mysteries of GOD,
The gospel of his grace.

2 The things through mists and shadows dim,
By holy prophets seen,
In the full light of day they saw
With not a cloud between.

3 What CHRIST, True Man, divinely wrought,
What GOD in Manhood bore,
They wrote, as GOD inspired, in words
That live for evermore.

4 Although in space and time apart,
One SPIRIT ruled them all;
And in their sacred pages still
We hear that SPIRIT's call.

5 To GOD, the blessèd THREE in ONE,
Be glory, praise, and might,
Who called us from the shades of death
To his own glorious light. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

462 How beauteous are their feet.
496 How precious is the book.
497 O Word of God Incarnate.
498 Lord, thy Word abideth.

FESTIVALS OF MARTYRS, AND OTHER HOLY DAYS

215 *Rev. Isaac Watts*, 1709.

'More than conquerors through him that loved us.'
Rom. viii. 37.

GIVE me the wings of faith, to rise
Within the veil, and see
The saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.

2 Once they were mourning here below,
And wet their couch with tears:
They wrestled hard, as we do now,
With sins, and doubts, and fears.

3 I ask them whence their victory came;
They with united breath
Ascribe their conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to his death.

4 They marked the footsteps that he trod;
His zeal inspired their breast;
And, following their incarnate GOD,
Possess the promised rest.

5 Our glorious Leader claims our praise,
For his own pattern given;
While the long cloud of witnesses
Show the same path to heaven. Amen.

216

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1707; *and Rev. William Cameron*, 1781.

'I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, . . . clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands.' Rev. vii. 9.

HOW bright these glorious spirits shine!
Whence all their white array?
How came they to the blissful seats
Of everlasting day?

2 Lo! these are they from sufferings great
Who came to realms of light;
And in the Blood of CHRIST have washed
Those robes that shine so bright.

3 Now with triumphal palms they stand
Before the throne on high,
And serve the GOD they love amidst
The glories of the sky.

4 His presence fills each heart with joy,
Tunes every mouth to sing;
By day, by night, the sacred courts,
With glad hosannas ring.

5 Hunger and thirst are felt no more,
Nor sun with scorching ray;
GOD is their Sun, whose cheering beams
Diffuse eternal day.

6 The Lamb, which dwells amidst the throne,
Shall o'er them still preside,
Feed them with nourishment divine,
And all their footsteps guide.

7 In pastures green he'll lead his flock,
Where living streams appear;
And GOD the LORD from every eye
Shall wipe off every tear.

8 To FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

217

Bishop R. Mant, 1837.

'Be . . . followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.' Heb. vi. 12.

FOR all thy saints, O LORD,
Our grateful hymn receive,
Who followed thee, obeyed, adored,
And strove in thee to live.

2 For all thy saints, O LORD,
Accept our thankful cry,
Who counted thee their great reward,
And strove in thee to die.

3 Thine earthly members fit
To join thy saints above,
In one communion ever knit,
One fellowship of love.

4 JESU, thy Name we bless,
And humbly pray that we
May follow them in holiness,
And live and die in thee.

5 All might, all praise, be thine,
FATHER, co-equal SON,
And SPIRIT, bond of love divine,
While endless ages run. Amen.

218

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862.

'Lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, . . . stood before the throne.' Rev. vii. 9.

HARK! the sound of holy voices,
Chanting at the crystal sea,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! LORD, to thee:
Multitudes which none can number,
Like the stars in glory stand
Clothed in white apparel, holding
Palms of victory in their hand.

2 Patriarch, and holy prophet,
Who prepared the way of CHRIST,
King, apostle, saint, confessor,
Martyr, and evangelist,
Saintly maiden, godly matron,
Widows who have watched to prayer,
Joined in holy concert, singing
To the LORD of all, are there.

3 They have come from tribulation,
And have washed their robes in Blood,
Washed them in the Blood of JESUS;
Tried they were, and firm they stood;
Mocked, imprisoned, stoned, tormented,
Sawn asunder, slain with sword,
They have conquered death and Satan
By the might of CHRIST the LORD.

4 Marching with thy Cross their banner,
They have triumphed, following
Thee, the Captain of salvation,
Thee, their SAVIOUR and their King;
Gladly, LORD, with thee they suffered;
Gladly, LORD, with thee they died;
And by death to life immortal
They were born, and glorified.

*5 Now they reign in heavenly glory,
Now they walk in golden light,
Now they drink, as from a river,
Holy bliss and infinite;
Love and peace they taste for ever,
And all truth and knowledge see
In the beatific vision
Of the Blessèd TRINITY.

6 GOD of GOD, the One-begotten,
Light of Light, Emmanuel,
In whose Body joined together
All the saints for ever dwell;
Pour upon us of thy fulness,
That we may for evermore
GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON, and
GOD the HOLY GHOST adore. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

379 O God, our help in ages past.
404 The Son of God goes forth to war.
415 Soldiers, who are Christ's below.
563 The Church's one foundation.
616 Lo! round the throne.
619 Palms of glory, raiment bright.

HOLY COMMUNION

219 *Josiah Conder*, 1824.

'My flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.'
St. John vi. 55.

BREAD of heaven, on thee we feed,
For thy Flesh is meat indeed;
Ever may our souls be fed
With this true and living Bread;
Day by day with strength supplied
Through the life of him who died.

2 Vine of heaven, thy Blood supplies
This blest cup of sacrifice;
LORD, thy wounds our healing give,
To thy Cross we look and live:
JESUS, may we ever be
Grafted, rooted, built on thee. Amen.

220

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1889.

'Through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.' Eph. ii. 18.

O HOLY FATHER, who in tender love
Didst give thine only SON for us to die,
The while he pleads at thy right hand above,
We in One SPIRIT now with faith draw nigh,
And, as we eat this Bread and drink this Wine,
Plead his once offered Sacrifice Divine.

2 We are not worthy to be called thy sons,
Nor gather up the fragments of thy feast;
Yet look on us, thy sorrowing contrite ones,
On us in him our Advocate and Priest,
Whose robe is fringed with mercy's golden bells,
Whose breastplate fathomless compassion tells.

3 O hear us, for thou always hearest him:
Behold us sprinkled with his precious Blood;
And from between the shadowing cherubim
Shine forth, and grant us in this heavenly Food
Foretastes of coming glory, and meanwhile
A FATHER's blessing and a FATHER's smile.

4 Nor only, FATHER, in thy presence here
Low at thy footstool for ourselves we pray,
But for the loved ones to our hearts most near
At home, or toiling in far lands away:
O guard them, guide them, comfort and befriend,
And keep them thine, unfaltering to the end.

5 And, FATHER, ere we leave thy mercy-throne,
Bound by these sacred pledges, yet most free,
We give our hearts, and not our hearts alone,
But all we are and all we have, to thee;
Glad free-will offerings all our pilgrim days,
Hereafter an eternity of praise. Amen.

221

Canon William Bright, 1874.

'In every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering.' Mal. i. 11.

AND now, O FATHER, mindful of the love
That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's Tree,
And having with us him that pleads above,
We here present, we here spread forth to thee
That only Offering perfect in thine eyes,
The one true, pure, immortal Sacrifice.

2 Look, FATHER, look on his anointed face,
And only look on us as found in him;
Look not on our misusings of thy grace,
Our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim:
For lo! between our sins and their reward
We set the Passion of thy SON our LORD.

3 And then for those, our dearest and our best,
By this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
From tainting mischief keep them white and clear,
And crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

4 And so we come; O draw us to thy feet,
Most patient SAVIOUR, who canst love us still;
And by this Food, so aweful and so sweet,
Deliver us from every touch of ill:
In thine own service make us glad and free,
And grant us never more to part with thee.
Amen.

222

Bishop R. Heber, 1827.

'Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.' St. John vi. 53.

BREAD of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead:

2 Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be thy feast to us the token
That by thy grace our souls are fed. Amen.

223

Bishop C. Venn Pilcher, 1955.

'The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?' 1 Cor. x. 16.

HERE, LORD, we take the broken Bread
And drink the Wine, believing
That by thy life our souls are fed,
Thy dying gifts receiving.

2 As thou hast given, so would we give
Ourselves for others' healing;
As thou hast lived, so would we live,
The FATHER's love revealing. Amen.

224

Rev. P. Doddridge, 1755.

'Come; for all things are now ready.' St. Luke xiv. 17.

MY GOD, and is thy table spread,
And doth thy cup with love o'erflow?
Thither be all thy children led,
And let them all thy sweetness know.

2 Hail, sacred feast, which JESUS makes,
Rich banquet of his Flesh and Blood!
Thrice happy he who here partakes
That sacred Stream, that heavenly Food.

3 Why are its bounties all in vain
Before unwilling hearts displayed?
Was not for them the Victim slain?
Are they forbid the children's bread?

4 O let thy table honoured be,
And furnished well with joyful guests;
And may each soul salvation see
That here its sacred pledges tastes. Amen.

225

Rev. J. Morison (1750–98), *as in* '*Scottish Paraphrases*', 1781.

'The Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: . . . After the same manner also he took the cup.' 1 Cor. xi. 23, 25.

'TWAS on that night when doomed to know
The eager rage of every foe,
That night in which he was betrayed,
The SAVIOUR of the world took bread;

2 And, after thanks and glory given
To him that rules in earth and heaven,
That symbol of his flesh he broke,
And thus to all his followers spoke:

3 'My broken body thus I give
For you, for all; take, eat, and live;
And oft the sacred rite renew
That brings my wondrous love to view.'

4 Then in his hands the cup he raised,
And GOD anew he thanked and praised,
While kindness in his bosom glowed,
And from his lips salvation flowed.

5 'My blood I thus pour forth,' he cries,
'To cleanse the soul in sin that lies;
In this the covenant is sealed,
And heaven's eternal grace revealed.

6 'With love to man this cup is fraught;
Let all partake the sacred draught;
Through latest ages let it pour,
In memory of my dying hour.' Amen.

226

Archbishop W. D. Maclagan, 1873.

'He ever liveth to make intercession.' Heb. vii. 25.

BE still, my soul, for GOD is near;
The great High Priest is with thee now!
The LORD of Life himself is here,
Before whose face the angels bow.

2 To make thy heart his lowly throne
Thy SAVIOUR GOD in love draws nigh;
He gives himself unto his own,
For whom he once came down to die.

3 He pleads before the mercy-seat—
He pleads with GOD; he pleads for thee;
He gives thee Bread from heaven to eat—
His Flesh and Blood in mystery.

4 I come, O LORD!—for thou dost call—
To blend my pleading prayer with thine;
To thee I give myself—my all,
And feed on thee, and make thee mine. Amen.

227

James Montgomery, 1825.

'This do in remembrance of me.' St. Luke xxii. 19.

ACCORDING to thy gracious word,
In meek humility,
This will I do, my dying LORD,
I will remember thee.

2 Thy Body, broken for my sake,
My Bread from heaven shall be;
Thy cup of blessing I will take,
And thus remember thee.

3 Can I Gethsemane forget?
Or there thy conflict see,
Thine agony and bloody sweat,
And not remember thee?

4 When to the Cross I turn mine eyes,
And rest on Calvary,
O Lamb of God, my sacrifice,
I must remember thee.

5 Remember thee, and all thy pains,
And all thy love to me;
Yea, while a breath, a pulse remains,
Will I remember thee.

6 And when these failing lips grow dumb,
And mind and memory flee,
When thou shalt in thy kingdom come,
Jesu, remember me. Amen.

228

Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1875.

'Lord, I am not worthy.' St. Matt. viii. 8.

I AM not worthy, Holy Lord,
That thou shouldst come to me;
Speak but the word, one gracious word
Can set the sinner free.

2 I am not worthy; cold and bare
The lodging of my soul;
How canst thou deign to enter there?
Lord, speak, and make me whole.

3 I am not worthy; yet, my God,
How can I say thee nay;
Thee, who didst give thy Flesh and Blood
My ransom-price to pay?

4 O come! in this sweet morning hour
Feed me with Food divine;
And fill with all thy love and power
This worthless heart of mine. Amen.

229

Liturgy of St. James (c. 5th cent.).
Tr. (1864) *Rev. Gerard Moultrie.*

'The bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.' St. John vi. 33.

Σιγησάτω πᾶσα σὰρξ βροτεία.

LET all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded, for with blessing in his hand,
CHRIST our GOD to us approacheth, our full homage to demand.

2 King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the Body and the Blood,
He will give to all the faithful his own Self for heavenly Food.

3 Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

4 At his feet the six-winged Seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, LORD most high.
Amen.

230

Tr. (1851) *from the Latin of 7th cent. by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.' St. John vi. 56.

Sancti, venite, Christi Corpus sumite.

DRAW nigh and take the Body of the LORD,
And drink the holy Blood for you outpoured.

2 Saved by that Body and that precious Blood,
With souls refreshed, we render thanks to GOD.

3 Salvation's Giver, CHRIST, the only SON,
By his dear Cross and Blood the victory won.

4 Offered was he for greatest and for least,
Himself the Victim, and himself the Priest.

5 Victims were offered by the law of old,
Which in a type this heavenly mystery told.

6 He, Ransomer from death, and Light from shade,
Now gives his holy grace his saints to aid;

7 Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the safeguard of salvation here.

8 He that in this world rules his saints and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields.

9 With heavenly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

10 Alpha and Omega, to whom shall bow
All nations at the Doom, is with us now.
Amen.

231

Tr. (1852) *from the Latin of St. Thomas Aquinas, 13th cent., by Bishop Woodford.*

'I am that bread of life.' St. John vi. 48.

Adoro te devote.

THEE we adore, O hidden SAVIOUR, thee,
Who in thy sacrament dost deign to be;
Both flesh and spirit at thy presence fail,
Yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

2 O blest Memorial of our dying LORD,
Who living Bread to men doth here afford!
O may our souls for ever feed on thee,
And thou, O CHRIST, for ever precious be.

3 Fountain of goodness, JESU, LORD and GOD,
Cleanse us, unclean, with thy most cleansing Blood;
Increase our faith and love, that we may know
The hope and peace which from thy presence flow.

4 O CHRIST, whom now beneath a veil we see,
May what we thirst for soon our portion be,
To gaze on thee unveiled, and see thy face,
The vision of thy glory and thy grace. Amen.

232

Rev. H. Bonar, 1855.

'Draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith.' Heb. x. 22.

HERE, O my LORD, I see thee face to face;
Here faith can touch and handle things unseen;
Here would I grasp with firmer hand thy grace,
And all my weariness upon thee lean.

2 Here would I feed upon the Bread of GOD;
Here drink with thee the royal Wine of heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need
Another arm save thine to lean upon;
It is enough, my LORD, enough indeed;
My strength is in thy might, thy might alone.

4 Mine is the sin, but thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but thine the cleansing Blood:
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace—
Thy Blood, thy righteousness, O LORD, my God! Amen.

233

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1872.

'This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them.'
St. Luke xv. 2.

NOT worthy, LORD, to gather up the crumbs
With trembling hand that from thy table fall,
A weary heavy-laden sinner comes,
To plead thy promise and obey thy call.

2 I am not worthy to be thought thy child,
Nor sit the last and lowest at thy board;
Too long a wanderer, and too oft beguiled—
I only ask one reconciling word.

3 I hear thy voice: thou bidst me come and rest.
I come, I kneel, I clasp thy piercèd feet;
Thou bidst me take my place—a welcome guest
Among thy saints, and of thy banquet eat.

4 My praise can only breathe itself in prayer,
My prayer can only lose itself in thee:
Dwell thou for ever in my heart, and there,
LORD, let me sup with thee: sup thou with me. Amen.

234

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin of St. Thomas Aquinas, 13th cent., by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'This is my body. . . . this is my blood.'
St. Matt. xxvi. 26, 28.

Pange, lingua, gloriosi Corporis mysterium.

NOW, my tongue, the mystery telling
Of the glorious Body sing,
And the Blood, all price excelling,
Which the Gentiles' LORD and King,
In a Virgin's womb once dwelling,
Shed for this world's ransoming.

2 Given for us, and condescending
To be born for us below,
He, with men in converse blending,
Dwelt the seed of truth to sow,
Till he closed with wondrous ending
His most patient life of woe.

3 That last night, at supper lying,
'Mid the twelve, his chosen band,
JESUS, with the law complying,
Keeps the feast its rites demand;
Then, more precious Food supplying,
Gives himself with his own hand.

4 Word-made-flesh true bread he maketh
By his word his Flesh to be;
Wine his Blood; which whoso taketh
Must from carnal thoughts be free;
Faith alone, though sight forsaketh,
Shows true hearts the mystery.

PART 2

Tantum ergo Sacramentum.

5 Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear.

6 Glory let us give, and blessing
To the FATHER, and the SON,
Honour, might, and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing,
Who from BOTH with BOTH is ONE. Amen.

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Canon G. H. Bourne, 1874.

'I am the living bread which came down from heaven.'
St. John vi. 51.

LORD, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong Defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia,
JESU, true and living Bread!

2 Here our humblest homage pay we;
Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia,
Thou art here, we ask not how.

3 Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia,
We in worship join with them.

4 Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
Once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fulness undiminished
Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluia,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

5 Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud Hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia,
Risen, ascended, glorified! Amen.

236

Rev. J. S. B. Monsell, 1866.

'My Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.'
St. John vi. 32.

I HUNGER and I thirst;
JESU, my manna be:
Ye living waters, burst
Out of the rock for me.

2 Thou bruised and broken Bread,
My life-long wants supply;
As living souls are fed,
O feed me, or I die.

3 Thou true life-giving Vine,
Let me thy sweetness prove;
Renew my life with thine,
Refresh my soul with love.

4 Rough paths my feet have trod,
Since first their course began;
Feed me, thou Bread of GOD;
Help me, thou Son of Man.

5 For still the desert lies
My thirsting soul before;
O living waters, rise
Within me evermore. Amen.

237

Tr. from the Latin of St. Thomas Aquinas, 13th cent., by Rev. E. Caswall, 1849, *and Rev. J. M. Neale,* 1854.

'I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.' St. John vi. 38.

Verbum supernum prodiens.

THE heavenly WORD proceeding forth,
Yet leaving not the FATHER's side,
Accomplishing his work on earth
Had reached at length life's eventide.

2 By false disciple to be given
To foemen for his life athirst,
Himself, the very Bread of heaven,
He gave to his disciples first.

3 He gave himself in either kind,
His precious Flesh, his precious Blood;
In love's own fulness thus designed
Of the whole man to be the Food.

4 By birth their fellow-man was he;
Their Meat, when sitting at the board:
He died, their Ransomer to be;
He ever reigns, their great Reward.

PART 2

O salutaris hostia.

5 O Saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below,
Our foes press on from every side,
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

6 All praise and thanks to thee ascend
For evermore, Blest ONE in THREE;
O grant us life that shall not end
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

238

Edward Osler, 1836.

'They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.' Isa. xl. 31.

O GOD, unseen, yet ever near,
Thy presence may we feel;
And thus, inspired with holy fear,
Before thine altar kneel.

2 Here may thy faithful people know
The blessings of thy love;
The streams that through the desert flow,
The Manna from above.

3 We come, obedient to thy word,
To feast on heavenly Food;
Our meat, the Body of the LORD;
Our drink, his precious Blood.

4 Thus may we all thy word obey,
For we, O GOD, are thine;
And go rejoicing on our way,
Renewed with strength divine. Amen.

239

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1862.

'Ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.' 1 Cor. xi. 26.

TILL he come—O let the words
Linger on the trembling chords;
Let the little while between
In their golden light be seen;
Let us think how heaven and home
Lie beyond that 'Till he come.'

2 When the weary ones we love
Enter on their rest above,
Seems the earth so poor and vast,
All our life-joy overcast?
Hush, be every murmur dumb:
It is only till he come.

3 Clouds and conflicts round us press:
Would we have one sorrow less?
All the sharpness of the cross,
All that tells the world is loss,
Death and darkness, and the tomb,
Only whisper 'Till he come.'

4 See, the feast of love is spread,
Drink the Wine, and break the Bread:
Sweet memorials—till the LORD
Call us round his heavenly board;
Some from earth, from glory some,
Severed only till he come. Amen.

240

Tr. (1863) *by Catherine Winkworth from the German of J. Franck* (1645).

'Let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God' Ps. lxviii. 3.

Schmücke dich.

DECK thyself, my soul, with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendour,
There with joy thy praises render
Unto him whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded;
High o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
Yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.

2 Now I sink before thee lowly,
Filled with joy most deep and holy,
As with trembling awe and wonder
On thy mighty works I ponder;
How, by mystery surrounded,
Depths no man hath ever sounded,
None may dare to pierce unbidden
Secrets that with thee are hidden.

At the Communion.

3 Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
Light, who dost my soul enlighten;
Joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth;
Fount, whence all my being floweth:
At thy feet I cry, my Maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessèd food from heaven,
For our good, thy glory, given.

4 JESUS, Bread of Life, I pray thee,
Let me gladly here obey thee;
Never to my hurt invited,
Be thy love with love requited:
From this banquet let me measure,
LORD, how vast and deep its treasure;
Through the gifts thou here dost give me,
As thy guest in heaven receive me. Amen.

241

Canon William Bright, 1866

'This he did once, when he offered up himself.'
Heb. vii. 27.

ONCE, only once, and once for all
His precious life he gave;
Before the Cross our spirits fall,
And own it strong to save.

2 'One offering single and complete,'
With lips and heart we say;
But what he never can repeat
He shows forth day by day.

3 For, as the priest of Aaron's line
Within the holiest stood,
And sprinkled all the mercy-shrine
With sacrificial blood;

4 So he, who once atonement wrought,
Our Priest of endless power,
Presents himself for those he bought
In that dark noontide hour.

5 His Manhood pleads where now it lives
On heaven's eternal throne,
And where in mystic rite he gives
Its presence to his own.

6 And so we show thy death, O LORD,
Till thou again appear;
And feel, when we approach thy board,
We have an altar here.

7 All glory to the FATHER be,
All glory to the SON,
All glory, HOLY GHOST, to thee,
While endless ages run. Amen.

242

Canon R. H. Baynes, 1864.

'Thou preparest a table before me.' Ps. xxiii. 5.

JESU, to thy table led,
Now let every heart be fed
With the true and living Bread.

2 While in penitence we kneel
Thy sweet presence let us feel,
All thy wondrous love reveal.

3 When we taste the mystic Wine,
Of thine outpoured Blood the sign,
Fill our hearts with love divine.

4 Draw us to thy wounded side,
Whence there flowed the healing tide;
There our sins and sorrows hide.

5 From the bonds of sin release,
Cold and wavering faith increase,
Lamb of GOD, grant us thy peace.

6 Lead us by thy piercèd hand
Till around thy throne we stand
In the bright and better land. Amen.

243

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1854.

'Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.' 1 John iv. 13.

JESU, gentlest SAVIOUR,
GOD of might and power,
Thou thyself art dwelling
In us at this hour.

2 Nature cannot hold thee,
Heaven is all too strait
For thine endless glory
And thy royal state.

3 Out beyond the shining
Of the furthest star
Thou art ever stretching
Infinitely far.

4 Yet the hearts of children
Hold what worlds cannot,
And the GOD of wonders
Loves the lowly spot.

5 JESU, gentlest SAVIOUR,
Dwelling in us now,
Fill us full of goodness
Till our hearts o'erflow.

6 Multiply our graces,
Chiefly love and fear,
And, dear LORD, the chiefest,
Grace to persevere. Amen.

244

Archdeacon Frederick George Scott, 1886.

'In the midst of the throne . . . stood a Lamb as it had been slain.' Rev. v. 6.

WE hail thee now, O JESU,
Thy presence here we own,
Though sight and touch have failed us,
And faith perceives alone;
Thy love has veiled thy glory;
And hid thy power divine,
In mercy to our weakness,
Beneath an earthly sign.

2 We hail thee now, O JESU,
In silence hast thou come,
For all the hosts of heaven
With wonderment are dumb—
So great the condescension,
So marvellous the love,
Which for our sakes, O SAVIOUR,
Have drawn thee from above.

3 We hail thee now, O JESU,
For law and type have ceased,
And thou in each Communion
Art Sacrifice and Priest;
We make this great memorial
In union, LORD, with thee,
And plead thy death and passion
To cleanse and set us free.

4 We hail thee now, O JESU,
For death is drawing near
And in thy presence only
Its terrors disappear;
Dwell with us, sweetest SAVIOUR,
And guide us through the night,
Till shadows end in glory,
And faith be lost in sight. Amen.

245

Sir Edward Denny, 1839.

'I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.' Jer. xxxi. 3.

SWEET feast of love divine;
'Tis grace that makes us free
To feed upon this Bread and Wine,
In memory, LORD, of thee.

2 Here every welcome guest
Waits, LORD, from thee to learn
The secrets of thy FATHER's breast,
And all thy grace discern.

3 Here conscience ends its strife,
And faith delights to prove
The sweetness of the Bread of life,
The fulness of thy love.

4 The Blood that flowed for sin
In symbol here we see,
And feel the blessèd pledge within,
That we are loved of thee.

5 O if this glimpse of love
Is so divinely sweet,
What will it be, O LORD, above,
Thy gladdening smile to meet;

6 To see thee face to face,
Thy perfect likeness wear,
And all thy ways of wondrous grace
Through endless years declare. Amen.

246

Colonel W. H. Turton, 1881.

'That they all may be one.' St. John xvii. 21.

THOU, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray
That all thy Church might be for ever one,
Grant us at every Eucharist to say
With longing heart and soul, 'Thy will be done.'
O may we all one Bread, one Body be,
Through this blest Sacrament of Unity.

2 For all thy Church, O LORD, we intercede;
Make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
Draw us the nearer each to each, we plead,
By drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;
Thus may we all one Bread, one Body be,
Through this blest Sacrament of Unity.

3 We pray thee too for wanderers from thy fold;
O bring them back, Good Shepherd of the sheep,
Back to the faith which saints believed of old,
Back to the Church which still that faith doth keep;
Soon may we all one Bread, one Body be,
Through this blest Sacrament of Unity.

4 So, LORD, at length when sacraments shall cease,
May we be one with all thy Church above,
One with thy saints in one unbroken peace,
One with thy saints in one unbounded love:
More blessèd still, in peace and love to be
One with the TRINITY in UNITY. Amen.

247

Tr. (1938) *from the Danish of Bishop Kingo* (1764).

'What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?' Ps. cxvi. 12.

O Jesu, sode Jesu, dig.

O JESU, kindly LORD, to thee,
My thanks be everlastingly,
Who with thy Body and thy Blood
Refreshed my soul, for thou art good.

2 Break forth, my soul, with joy, and say
How rich I have become this day;
My SAVIOUR dwells within my heart;
Thanks for the joy thou dost impart. Amen.

248 *Liturgy of Malabar. Tr. C. W. Humphreys and Canon Percy Dearmer,* 1931.

'The Lord was my stay.' 2 Sam. xxii. 19.

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STRENGTHEN for service, LORD, the hands
That holy things have taken;
Let ears that now have heard thy songs
To clamour never waken.

2 LORD, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang
Keep free from all deceiving;
The eyes which saw thy love be bright,
Thy blessèd hope perceiving.

3 The feet that tread thy holy courts
From light do thou not banish;
The bodies by thy Body fed
With thy new life replenish. Amen.

249 *Tr.* (1858) *from the Latin of St. Bernard of Clairvaux, 12th cent., by Rev. Ray Palmer.*

'Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.' St. John vi. 68.

Jesu, dulcedo cordium.

JESU, thou Joy of loving hearts!
Thou Fount of life, thou Light of men!
From the best bliss that earth imparts
We turn unfilled to thee again.

2 Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood;
Thou savest those that on thee call;
To them that seek thee thou art good;
To them that find thee All in all.

3 We taste thee, O thou living Bread,
And long to feast upon thee still;
We drink of thee, the fountain-head,
And thirst our souls from thee to fill.

4 Our restless spirits yearn for thee,
Where'er our changeful lot is cast;
Glad, when thy gracious smile we see,
Blest, when our faith can hold thee fast.

5 O JESU, ever with us stay;
Make all our moments calm and bright;
Chase the dark night of sin away;
Shed o'er the world thy holy light. Amen.

250

Rev. John Wesley, 1745.

'He which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.' St. John vi. 33.

AUTHOR of life divine,
Who hast a table spread,
Furnished with mystic Wine
And everlasting Bread,
Preserve the life thyself hast given,
And feed and train us up for heaven.

2 Our needy souls sustain
With fresh supplies of love,
Till all thy life we gain,
And all thy fulness prove,
And, strengthened by thy perfect grace,
Behold without a veil thy face. Amen.

251

Canon Percy Dearmer, 1931.

'With gladness and singleness of heart, praising God.' Acts ii. 46, 47.

WHEREFORE, O FATHER, we thy humble servants
Offer our praises, with our glad thanksgiving,
Offer ourselves, LORD, souls and bodies to thee,
CHRIST'S death proclaiming.

2 So, LORD, we thank thee, for that thou dost feed us,
Members united in that mystic body—
Company blessèd of all faithful people:
Thus we would serve thee. Amen.

252

Rev. V. S. S. Coles, 1871.

'The God of peace . . . make you perfect in every good work to do his will.' Heb. xiii. 20, 21.

WE pray thee, heavenly FATHER,
To hear us in thy love,
And pour upon thy children
The unction from above;
That so in love abiding,
From all defilement free,
We may in pureness offer
Our Eucharist to thee.

2 Be thou our Guide and Helper,
O JESU CHRIST, we pray;
So may we well approach thee,
If thou wilt be the Way:
Thou, very Truth, hast promised
To help us in our strife,
Food of the weary pilgrim,
Eternal Source of life.

3 And thou, Creator SPIRIT,
Look on us, we are thine;
Renew in us thy graces,
Upon our darkness shine;
That, with thy benediction
Upon our souls outpoured,
We may receive in gladness
The Body of the LORD.

4 O TRINITY of Persons!
O UNITY most high!
On thee alone relying
Thy servants would draw nigh:

Unworthy in our weakness,
On thee our hope is stayed,
And blest by thy forgiveness
We will not be afraid. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

74 Thou art coming, O my Saviour.
127 Sweet the moments, rich in.
382 As pants the hart.
384 Praise to the Holiest.
397 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
406 Guide me, O thou great.
411 Oft in danger, oft in woe.
434 Jesu, my Lord; my God, my All.
446 O help us, Lord, each hour.
470 Love Divine, all loves excelling.
473 Hark! my soul, it is the Lord.
493 Jesu, the very thought of thee.
510 Jesu, lover of my soul.
518 Behold the Lamb of God.
529 Just as I am—without one plea.
539 The King of love my Shepherd.
552 Ye servants of the Lord.
583 Come ye yourselves apart.
584 Jesu, grant me this, I pray.
593 When I survey the wondrous.
607 Jesu, these eyes have never seen.
663 Let me be with thee where thou.
672 Break thou the bread of life.
766 There is a fountain filled with blood.
800 By Christ redeemed.

HOLY BAPTISM

253 *Rev. W. A. Mühlenberg*, 1826.

'He shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom.' Isa. xl. 11.

SAVIOUR, who thy flock art feeding
With the Shepherd's kindest care,
All the feeble gently leading,
While the lambs thy bosom share:

2 Now, these little ones receiving,
Fold them in thy gracious arm;
There, we know, thy word believing,
Only there, secure from harm.

3 Never, from thy pasture roving,
Let them be the lion's prey;
Let thy tenderness so loving
Keep them through life's dangerous way.

4 Then within thy fold eternal
Let them find a resting-place;
Feed in pastures ever vernal,
Drink the rivers of thy grace. Amen.

254

Dean C. E. Riley, 1933.

'Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.' St. Matt. xix. 14.

JESU, Son of blessèd Mary,
Once on earth a little child,
Pattern fair of holy living,
Gracious, loving, undefiled.

2 Though thy sacred heart was yearning
Heavy-laden souls to free,
Yet thou calledst little children
In their happiness to thee.

3 Thy dear kingdom still they enter
Through this Sacrament of grace;
In thy loving arms enfold them;
Hands of blessing on them place.

4 From the power of sin delivered
May they learn to live for GOD;
Guided by thy HOLY SPIRIT,
Nourished with the living WORD.

5 Grant that we, like little children,
Free from pride and guile may be;
Cheerful, trusting, safe, protected
By the Blessèd TRINITY. Amen.

255

Dean Henry Alford, 1832.

'It shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.'
Gen. xvii. 11.

IN token that thou shalt not fear
CHRIST crucified to own,
We print the cross upon thee here,
And stamp thee his alone.

2 In token that thou shalt not blush
To glory in his Name,
We blazon here upon thy front
His glory and his shame.

3 In token that thou shalt not flinch
CHRIST's quarrel to maintain,
But 'neath his banner manfully
Firm at thy post remain;

4 In token that thou too shalt tread
The path he travelled by,
Endure the cross, despise the shame,
And sit thee down on high;

5 Thus outwardly and visibly
We seal thee for his own;
And may the brow that wears his cross
Hereafter share his crown. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

407 Lead us, heavenly Father.
413 Children of the heavenly King.
416 Christian! seek not yet repose.
419 Soldiers of Christ, arise.
429 O God of Bethel.
433 Jesu, meek and gentle.
539 The King of love.
549 Fight the good fight.
551 By cool Siloam's shady rill.
589 Take up thy cross.
693 I think when I read.
711 Faithful Shepherd, feed me.
713 Jesus loves me, this I know.
720 Do no sinful action.

256

Matthew Bridges, 1848.

'My son, give me thine heart.' Prov. xxiii. 26.

MY GOD, accept my heart this day,
And make it always thine,
That I from thee no more may stray,
No more from thee decline.

2 Before the Cross of him who died,
Behold, I prostrate fall;
Let every sin be crucified,
And CHRIST be all in all.

3 Anoint me with thy heavenly grace,
And seal me for thine own;
That I may see thy glorious face,
And worship near thy throne.

4 Let every thought, and work, and word
To thee be ever given;
Then life shall be thy service, LORD,
And death the gate of heaven. Amen.

257

Rev. P. Doddridge, 1755.

'Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.' Rev. ii. 10.

AWAKE, my soul, stretch every nerve,
And press with vigour on;
A heavenly race demands thy zeal,
And an immortal crown.

2 A cloud of witnesses around
Hold thee in full survey;
Forget the steps already trod,
And onward urge thy way.

3 'Tis GOD's all-animating voice
That calls thee from on high;
'Tis his own hand presents the prize
To thine aspiring eye.

4 Blest SAVIOUR, called and led by thee,
Have I my race begun;
And crown'd with victory, at thy feet
I'll lay mine honours down. Amen.

258

Archbishop W. D. Maclagan, 1873.

'He will guide you.' St. John xvi. 13.

HOLY SPIRIT, LORD of love,
Thou who camest from above,
Gifts of blessing to bestow
On thy waiting Church below;
Once again in love draw near
To thy servants gathered here.

2 From their bright baptismal day,
Through their childhood's onward way,
Thou hast been their constant Guide,
Watching ever by their side;
May they now, till life shall end,
Choose and know thee as their Friend.

3 Give them light thy truth to see,
Give them life to live for thee,
Daily power to conquer sin,
Patient faith the crown to win;
Shield them from temptation's breath,
Keep them faithful unto death.

4 When the sacred vow is made,
When the hands are on them laid,
Come in this most solemn hour,
With thy sevenfold gifts of power,
Come, thou blessèd SPIRIT, come,
Make each heart thy happy home. Amen.

259

Rev. L. Tuttiett, 1861.

'Speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward.' Exod. xiv. 15.

GO forward, Christian soldier,
Beneath his banner true;
The LORD himself thy leader
Shall all thy foes subdue,
His love foretells thy trials;
He knows thine hourly need;
He can with bread of heaven
Thy fainting spirit feed.

2 Go forward, Christian soldier,
Fear not the secret foe;
For more o'er thee are watching
Than human eyes can know:
Trust only CHRIST, thy Captain,
Cease not to watch and pray,
Heed not the treacherous voices
That lure thy soul astray.

3 Go forward, Christian soldier,
Nor dream of peaceful rest,
Till Satan's host is vanquished,
And heaven is all possessed;
Till CHRIST himself shall call thee
To lay thine armour by,
And wear in endless glory
The crown of victory. Amen.

260

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862.

'Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.' Acts viii. 17.

COME, ever blessèd SPIRIT, come,
And make thy servants' hearts thy home;
May each a living temple be,
Hallowed for ever, LORD, to thee.

2 Enrich that temple's holy shrine
With sevenfold gifts of grace divine:
With wisdom, light, and knowledge bless,
Strength, counsel, fear, and godliness.

3 O TRINITY in UNITY,
One only GOD and Persons THREE,
In whom, through whom, by whom we live,
To thee we praise and glory give:

4 O grant us so to use thy grace,
That we may see thy glorious face,
And ever with the heavenly host
Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

365 Saviour, blessèd Saviour.
412 Onward, Christian soldiers.
416 Christian! seek not yet repose.
419 Soldiers of Christ, arise.
433 Jesu, meek and gentle.
446 O help us, Lord; each hour.
464 Command thy blessing from.
480 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls.
481 Come, thou Holy Spirit, come.
489 Our blest Redeemer, ere he.
503 I heard the voice of Jesus say
522 My faith looks up to thee.
540 Jesus, I my cross have taken.
549 Fight the good fight.
558 Stand up, stand up, for Jesus.
572 O Jesus, I have promised.
574 Nearer, my God, to thee.
576 Take my life, and let it be.
577 Thine for ever:—God of love.
578 In the hour of trial.
589 Take up thy cross, the Saviour.
593 When I survey the wondrous.
646 Just as I am, thine own to be.
661 In full and glad surrender.

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Canon Edward A. Welch, 1908.

'Marriage is honourable.' Heb. xiii. 4.

WE lift our hearts, O FATHER,
To thee, our voices raise,
For these thy suppliant servants,
In mingled prayer and praise:—

2 Praise for the joy of loving,
All other joys above,
Praise for the priceless blessing
Of love's response to love;

3 Prayer that the sweet surrender
Of self may perfect be,
That each be one with other,
And both be one in thee;

4 Prayer that the bond between them
May be as closely tied
As is the bond that bindeth
CHRIST and his holy Bride;

5 Prayer that thou wilt accomplish
The promise of to-day,
And crown the years with blessing
That shall not pass away;

6 Praise for the hope most glorious
That looks beyond the veil,
Where faith and hope shall vanish,
But love shall never fail. Amen.

261A

Rev. John Keble, 1857.

'What . . . God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.' St. Matt. xix. 6.

THE voice that breathed o'er Eden,
That earliest wedding day,
The primal marriage blessing,
It hath not passed away:

2 Still in the pure espousal
Of Christian man and maid
The Holy THREE are with us,
The threefold grace is said.

3 For dower of blessèd children,
For love and faith's sweet sake,
For high mysterious union
Which nought on earth may break;

4 Be present, holiest SPIRIT,
To bless them as they kneel,
As thou for CHRIST, the Bridegroom,
The heavenly spouse dost seal.

5 O spread thy pure wing o'er them,
Let no ill power find place,
When onward to thine altar
The hallowed path they trace,

6 To cast their crowns before thee
In perfect sacrifice,
Till to the home of gladness
With CHRIST's own Bride they rise. Amen.

262

Dorothy Frances Gurney, 1883.

'The Lord do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me.' Ruth i. 17.

O PERFECT Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we kneel in prayer before thy throne,
That theirs may be the love which knows no ending,
Whom thou for evermore dost join in one.

2 O perfect Life, be thou their full assurance
Of tender charity and steadfast faith,
Of patient hope, and quiet brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears nor pain nor death.

3 Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow,
Grant them the peace which calms all earthly strife;
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life. Amen.

EMBER DAYS AND ORDINATION

263 *Rev. J. M. Neale*, 1843.

'As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.'
St. John xx. 21.

CHRIST is gone up; yet ere he passed
From earth, in heaven to reign,
He formed one holy Church to last
Till he should come again.

2 His twelve apostles first he made
His ministers of grace;
And they their hands on others laid,
To fill in turn their place.

3 So age by age, and year by year,
His grace was handed on;
And still the holy Church is here,
Although her LORD is gone.

4 Let those find pardon, LORD, from thee,
Whose love for her is cold:
Bring wanderers in, and let there be
One Shepherd and one fold. Amen.

264 *Bishop John Armstrong*, 1847.

'He gave some, apostles; . . . and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.' Eph. iv. 11, 12.

O THOU who makest souls to shine
With light from brighter worlds above,
And droppest glistening dew divine
On all who seek a SAVIOUR's love;

2 Do thou thy benediction give
On all who teach, on all who learn,
That so thy Church may holier live,
And every lamp more brightly burn.

3 Give those that teach pure hearts and wise,
Faith, hope, and love, all warmed by prayer:
Themselves first training for the skies,
They best will raise their people there.

4 Give those that learn the willing ear,
The spirit meek, the guileless mind;
Such gifts will make the lowliest here
Far better than a kingdom find.

5 O bless the shepherd; bless the sheep;
That guide and guided both be one;
One in the faithful watch they keep
Until this hurrying life be done.

6 If thus, good LORD, thy grace be given,
Our glory meets us ere we die;
Before we upward pass to heaven
We taste our immortality. Amen.

265

James Montgomery, 1833.

'Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness.'
Ps. cxxxii. 9.

LORD, pour thy SPIRIT from on high,
And thine ordainèd servants bless;
Graces and gifts to each supply,
And clothe thy priests with righteousness.

2 Within thy temple when they stand,
To teach the truth as taught by thee,
SAVIOUR, like stars in thy right hand,
Let all thy Church's pastors be.

3 Wisdom, and zeal, and faith impart,
Firmness with meekness, from above,
To bear thy people in their heart,
And love the souls whom thou dost love:

4 To watch, and pray, and never faint,
By day and night their guard to keep,
To warn the sinner, cheer the saint,
To feed thy lambs, and tend thy sheep.

5 So, when their work is finished here,
May they in hope their charge resign:
So, when their Master shall appear,
May they with crowns of glory shine. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

266 Go, labour on; spend, and be.
268 Lord, speak to me, that I may.
480 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls.
552 Ye servants of the Lord.

LAY HELPERS AND TEACHERS

266 *Rev. H. Bonar*, 1857.

'Always abounding in the work of the Lord.'
1 Cor. xv. 58.

GO, labour on; spend, and be spent,—
Thy joy to do the FATHER'S will;
It is the way the Master went;
Should not the servant tread it still?

2 Go, labour on; your hands are weak,
Your knees are faint, your soul cast down:
Yet falter not; the prize you seek
Is near,—a kingdom and a crown.

3 Go, labour on while it is day,
The world's dark night is hastening on;
Speed, speed thy work, cast sloth away;
It is not thus that souls are won.

4 Men die in darkness at your side,
Without a hope to cheer the tomb;
Take up the torch and wave it wide,
The torch that lights time's thickest gloom.

5 Toil on, faint not, keep watch and pray;
Be wise the erring soul to win;
Go forth into the world's highway,
Compel the wanderer to come in.

6 Toil on, and in thy toil rejoice;
For toil comes rest, for exile home;
Soon shalt thou hear the Bridegroom's voice,
The midnight cry, Behold, I come. Amen.

267

Rev. Washington Gladden, 1880.

'He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.' 1 John ii. 6.

O MASTER, let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free;
Teach me thy secret, help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move
With some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

3 Teach me thy patience; still with thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong,

4 In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only thou canst give,
With thee, O Master, let me live. Amen.

268

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1872.

'Speak; for thy servant heareth.' 1 Sam. iii. 10.

LORD, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of thy tone;
As thou hast sought, so let me seek
Thy erring children lost and lone.

2 O lead me, LORD, that I may lead
The wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, LORD, that I may feed
Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

3 O strengthen me, that while I stand
Firm on the Rock, and strong in thee,
I may stretch out a loving hand
To wrestlers with the troubled sea.

4 O teach me, LORD, that I may teach
The precious things thou dost impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

5 O give thine own sweet rest to me,
That I may speak with soothing power
A word in season, as from thee,
To weary ones in needful hour.

6 O fill me with thy fulness, LORD,
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word,
Thy love to tell, thy praise to show.

7 O use me, LORD, use even me,
Just as thou wilt, and when, and where;
Until thy blessèd face I see,
Thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share. Amen.

269

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1869.

'Ye serve the Lord Christ.' Col. iii. 24.

JESUS, Master, whom I serve,
Though so feebly and so ill,
Strengthen hand and heart and nerve
All thy bidding to fulfil;
Open thou mine eyes to see
All the work thou hast for me.

2 LORD, thou needest not, I know,
Service such as I can bring;
Yet I long to prove and show
Full allegiance to my King.
Thou Redeemer art to me;
Let me be a praise to thee.

3 JESUS, Master, wilt thou use
One who owes thee more than all?
As thou wilt! I would not choose;
Only let me hear thy call.
JESUS! let me always be
In thy service glad and free. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

186 Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult.
286 O brothers, lift your voices.
362 Rejoice, ye pure in heart.
404 The Son of God goes forth.
419 Soldiers of Christ, arise.
421 Lord of our life.
424 O happy band of pilgrims.
555 Blest be the tie that binds.
558 Stand up, stand up, for Jesus.
566 Through the night of doubt.
636 Work, for the night is coming!

MISSIONARY HYMNS

270 *Bishop E. H. Bickersteth,* 1899.

'For my sake and the gospel's.' St. Mark viii. 35.

'FOR my sake and the gospel's, go
And tell redemption's story';
His heralds answer, 'Be it so,
And thine, LORD, all the glory!'
They preach his birth, his life, his cross,
The love of his atonement,
For whom they count the world but loss,
His Easter, his enthronement.

2 Hark, hark, the trump of jubilee
  Proclaims to every nation,
From pole to pole, by land and sea,
  Glad tidings of salvation:
As nearer draws the day of doom,
  While still the battle rages,
The heavenly Day-spring through the gloom
  Breaks on the night of ages.

3 Still on and on the anthems spread
  Of hallelujah voices,
In concert with the holy dead
  The warrior Church rejoices;
Their snow-white robes are washed in Blood,
  Their golden harps are ringing;
Earth and the Paradise of GOD
  One triumph-song are singing.

4 He comes, whose Advent trumpet drowns
  The last of time's evangels,
Emmanuel crowned with many crowns,
  The LORD of saints and angels:
Of Life, Light, Love, the great I AM,
  Triune, who changest never,
The throne of GOD and of the Lamb
  Is thine, and thine for ever! Amen.

271

A. C. Ainger, 1894

'For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea.' Isa. xi. 9.

GOD is working his purpose out, as year succeeds to year:
GOD is working his purpose out, and the time is drawing near—
Nearer and nearer draws the time—the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of GOD as the waters cover the sea.

2 From utmost east to utmost west, where'er man's foot hath trod,
By the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of GOD;
Give ear to me, ye continents—ye isles, give ear to me,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of GOD as the waters cover the sea.

3 What can we do to work GOD's work, to prosper and increase
The brotherhood of all mankind—the reign of the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time—the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of GOD as the waters cover the sea?

4 March we forth in the strength of GOD, with the banner of CHRIST unfurled,
That the light of the glorious gospel of Truth may shine throughout the world:
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set their captives free,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of GOD as the waters cover the sea.

5 All we can do is nothing worth, unless GOD blesses the deed,
Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide, till GOD gives life to the seed;
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time—the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of GOD as the waters cover the sea.

Amen.

272

Bishop G. W. Doane, 1848.

'Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth.' Ps. lx. 4.

FLING out the banner! let it float
Skyward and seaward, high and wide;
The sun that lights its shining folds
The Cross on which the SAVIOUR died.

2 Fling out the banner! angels bend
In anxious silence o'er the sign;
And vainly seek to comprehend
The wonders of the love divine.

3 Fling out the banner! heathen lands
Shall see from far the glorious sight,
And nations, crowding to be born,
Baptize their spirits in its light.

4 Fling out the banner! sin-sick souls,
That sink and perish in the strife,
Shall touch in faith its radiant hem
And spring immortal into life.

5 Fling out the banner! let it float
Skyward and seaward, high and wide,
Our glory, only in the Cross;
Our only hope, the Crucified!

6 Fling out the banner! wide and high,
Seaward and skyward let it shine;
Nor skill, nor might, nor merit ours;
We conquer only in that sign. Amen.

273

James Montgomery, 1825.

'The Spirit of truth, . . . he shall testify of me: And ye also shall bear witness.' St. John xv. 26, 27.

O SPIRIT of the living GOD,
In all the fulness of thy grace,
Where'er the foot of man hath trod,
Descend on our apostate race.

2 Give tongues of fire, and hearts of love,
To preach the reconciling word;
Give power and unction from above,
Whene'er the joyful sound is heard.

3 Be darkness at thy coming light;
Confusion, order in thy path;
Souls without strength inspire with might;
Bid mercy triumph over wrath.

4 Baptize the nations; far and nigh
The triumphs of the Cross record;
The Name of JESUS glorify,
Till every kindred call him LORD.

5 GOD from eternity hath willed
All flesh shall his salvation see;
So be the FATHER'S love fulfilled,
The SAVIOUR'S sufferings crowned through thee. Amen.

274

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1864.

'Take . . . the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.' Eph. vi. 17.

SOLDIERS of the Cross, arise!
Gird you with your armour bright;
Mighty are your enemies,
Hard the battle ye must fight.

2 O'er a faithless fallen world
Raise your banner in the sky;
Let it float there, wide unfurled;
Bear it onward; lift it high.

3 'Mid the homes of want and woe,
Strangers to the living WORD,
Let the SAVIOUR'S herald go,
Let the voice of hope be heard.

4 Where the shadows deepest lie,
Carry truth's unsullied ray;
Where are crimes of blackest dye,
There the saving sign display.

5 To the weary and the worn
Tell of realms where sorrows cease;
To the outcast and forlorn
Speak of mercy and of peace.

6 Guard the helpless; seek the strayed;
Comfort troubles; banish grief;
In the might of GOD arrayed
Scatter sin and unbelief.

7 Be the banner still unfurled,
Still unsheathed the SPIRIT's sword,
Till the kingdoms of the world
Are the kingdom of the LORD. Amen.

275

Bishop R. Heber, 1819.

'Come over . . . and help us.' Acts xvi. 9.

FROM Greenland's icy mountains,
From India's coral strand,
Where Afric's sunny fountains
Roll down their golden sand,
From many an ancient river,
From many a palmy plain,
They call us to deliver
Their land from error's chain.

2 Can we, whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Can we to men benighted
The lamp of life deny?
Salvation! O salvation!
The joyful sound proclaim,
Till each remotest nation
Has learned Messiah's Name.

3 Waft, waft, ye winds, his story,
And you, ye waters, roll,
Till, like a sea of glory,
It spreads from pole to pole;
Till o'er our ransomed nature
The Lamb for sinners slain,
Redeemer, King, Creator,
In bliss returns to reign. Amen.

276

Mary A. Thomson, 1870.

'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace.' Isa. lii. 7.

O SION, haste, thy mission high fulfilling
To tell to all the world that GOD is Light;
That he who made all nations is not willing
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night:
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace,
Tidings of JESUS, redemption and release.

2 Behold, how many thousands still are lying
Bound in the darksome prison-house of sin,
With none to tell them of the SAVIOUR'S dying,
Or of the life he died for them to win.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace.

3 'Tis thine to save from peril of perdition
The souls for whom the LORD his life laid down;
Beware lest, slothful to fulfil thy mission,
Thou lose one jewel that should deck his crown.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace.

4 Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation
That GOD, in whom they live and move, is Love:
Tell how he stooped to save his lost creation,
And died on earth that man might live above.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace.

5 Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious,
Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way,
Pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious;
And haste the coming of the glorious day.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace.

6 He comes again—O Sion, ere thou meet him,
Make known to every heart his saving grace;
Let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him,
Through thy neglect, unfit to see his face.
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace. Amen.

277

Rev. Henry Downton, 1867.

'Waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.'
1 Cor. i. 7.

LORD, her watch thy Church is keeping;
When shall earth thy rule obey?
When shall end the night of weeping?
When shall break the promised day?
See the whitening harvest languish,
Waiting still the labourer's toil;
Was it vain, thy SON's deep anguish?
Shall the strong retain the spoil?

2 Tidings, sent to every creature,
Millions yet have never heard;
Can they hear without a preacher?
LORD Almighty, give the Word:

Give the Word; in every nation
  Let the gospel-trumpet sound,
Witnessing a world's salvation
  To the earth's remotest bound.

3 Then the end: thy Church completed,
  All thy chosen gathered in,
With their King in glory seated,
  Satan bound, and banished sin;
Gone for ever parting, weeping,
  Hunger, sorrow, death, and pain;
Lo! her watch thy Church is keeping;
  Come, LORD JESUS, come to reign. Amen.

278

Rev. Robert Murray, 1897.

'Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters.' Isa. xxxii. 20.

SOW the seed beside all waters,
North and south and east and west,
That our toiling sons and daughters
  In the harvest may be blest.
Tell the tidings of salvation
  'Mid the storms of Labrador;
Speak the word of consolation
  By the lone Pacific shore.

2 Where the forests old are falling,
  Yielding place to lawn and lea;
Where the fisher plies his calling
  'Mid the perils of the sea;
Where the tide of commerce rushes
  Through the city's crowded street,
And unpitying mammon crushes
  Poor and weak beneath his feet;

3 Where our brothers, sowing, reaping,
  Delving for the hidden ore,
Now with joy and now with weeping
  Labour to increase their store;

Where the stranger wanders lonely
In the homeless wilderness,
Tell of JESUS, JESUS only,
Who alone can save and bless.

4 Tell how tenderly he careth
For the weary and oppressed,
How their burdens all he beareth,
As he leads them to his rest;
Tell that he, the LORD from heaven,
Died for all and lives again,
All through him may be forgiven,
All with him in glory reign.

5 Tell his love beyond all telling,
Seeking, following those who flee,
Love rebellious hearts compelling
To his service glad and free.
Thus a precious harvest gather,
North and south and east and west,
To the glory of the FATHER,
SON, and SPIRIT ever blest. Amen.

279

Bishop A. C. Coxe, 1851.

'So shall he sprinkle many nations.' Isa. lii. 15.

SAVIOUR, sprinkle many nations,
Fruitful let thy sorrows be;
By thy pains and consolations
Draw the Gentiles unto thee:
Of thy Cross the wondrous story,
Be it to the nations told;
Let them see thee in thy glory,
And thy mercy manifold.

2 Far and wide, though all unknowing,
Pants for thee each mortal breast;
Human tears for thee are flowing,
Human hearts in thee would rest;

Thirsting, as for dews of even,
As the new-mown grass for rain,
Thee they seek, as GOD of heaven,
Thee, as Man, for sinners slain.

3 SAVIOUR, lo! the isles are waiting,
Stretched the hand, and strained the sight,
For thy SPIRIT new creating,
Love's pure flame and wisdom's light;
Give the word, and of the preacher
Speed the foot and touch the tongue,
Till on earth by every creature
Glory to the Lamb be sung. Amen.

280

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1879.

'The Lord shall be king over all the earth.' Zech. xiv. 9.

HARK, creation's Alleluia,
Rising from a thousand shores,
Vibrates sweet as angel voices,
Loud as many waters, roars—
'Blessing, glory, power, salvation
To our GOD upon the throne,
FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT,
Infinite, supreme, alone.'

2 Gathering strength from every nation,
Every kindred, tribe, and tongue,
Hark, that everlasting anthem,
Hark, that glorious tide of song
Floods the valleys with its music,
Echoes from the lasting hills,
Onward, upward, till the temple
Of the living GOD it fills.

3 Hark, it mingles with the raptures
Of the armies of the sky,
Who have passed through tribulation
Into perfect rest on high,

Clothed in robes of spotless beauty,
Palms of triumph in their hand,
Harping on their harps hosannas,
As before his face they stand:

4 'Glory unto him who loved us,
Him who washed us with his Blood,
Kings and priests henceforth for ever
To our FATHER and our GOD.
Alleluia! saints and angels,
Raise your loudest, loftiest strains!
Alleluia! hell is vanquished;
GOD, the LORD Almighty, reigns.' Amen.

281

R. K. Tuck, 1926.

'And I will gather you from all the nations.'
Jer. xxix. 14.

LOVING SAVIOUR, thou didst come
To a lowly Jewish home,
And didst make for ever thine
That fair land of Palestine.

2 Thou didst teach us when we pray
Thine own Hebrew prayer to say,
And the same sweet psalms we sing
Made the temple pillars ring.

3 Jewish martyrs gladly died
Lest the faith should be denied,
Counting all the world but loss
For the glory of the Cross.

4 Hebrew poet, priest and seer,
Gave to us the book most dear,
Guarding, in a world of strife,
Words of truth and peace and life.

5 Jewish people wandering far
Still thine own dear children are;
Bring them home, dear LORD, to thee,
Safe from sin and sorrow free. Amen.

282 *Rev. Charles E. Oakley*, 1870.

'Keep silence before me, O islands; . . . let us come near together to judgment.' Isa. xli. 1.

HILLS of the North, rejoice;
River and mountain-spring,
Hark to the advent voice;
Valley and lowland, sing;
Though absent long, your LORD is nigh;
He judgment brings and victory.

2 Isles of the Southern seas,
Deep in your coral caves
Pent be each warring breeze,
Lulled be your restless waves:
He comes to reign with boundless sway,
And makes your wastes his great highway.

3 Lands of the East, awake,
Soon shall your sons be free;
The sleep of ages break,
And rise to liberty.
On your far hills, long cold and grey,
Has dawned the everlasting day.

4 Shores of the utmost West,
Ye that have waited long,
Unvisited, unblest,
Break forth to swelling song;
High raise the note, that JESUS died,
Yet lives and reigns, the Crucified!

5 Shout while ye journey home;
Songs be in every mouth;
Lo, from the North we come,
From East, and West, and South.
City of GOD, the bond are free,
We come to live and reign in thee! Amen.

283

Canon Hugh Stowell, 1853.

'Pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course.' 2 Thess. iii. 1.

LORD of all power and might,
FATHER of love and light,
Speed on thy Word:
O let the gospel sound
All the wide world around,
Wherever man is found;
GOD speed his Word.

2 Lo, what embattled foes,
Stern in their hate, oppose
GOD's holy Word:
One for his truth we stand,
Strong in his own right hand,
Firm as a martyr-band;
GOD shield his Word.

3 Onward shall be our course,
Despite of fraud or force;
GOD is before;
His Word ere long shall run
Free as the noon-day sun;
His purpose must be done:
GOD bless his Word. Amen.

284

Rev. J. Marriott, 1813.

'God said, Let there be light: and there was light.' Gen. i. 3.

THOU whose almighty word
Chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight,
Hear us, we humbly pray,
And, where the gospel-day
Sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light.

2 Thou who didst come to bring
On thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
O now, to all mankind,
Let there be light.

3 SPIRIT of truth and love,
Life-giver from above,
Speed forth thy flight:
Move on the waters' face,
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light.

4 Holy and Blessèd THREE,
Glorious TRINITY,
Wisdom, Love, Might,
Boundless as ocean tide,
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the world, far and wide,
Let there be light. Amen.

285

Emily May Crawford, 1890.

'The Master is come, and calleth for thee.'
St. John xi. 28.

THE Master comes! He calls for thee—
Go forth at his almighty word,
Obedient to his last command,
And tell to those who never heard,
Who sit in deepest shades of night,
That CHRIST has come to give them light.

2 The Master calls! Shall not thy heart
In warm responsive love reply,
'LORD, here am I; send me, send me—
Thy willing slave—to live or die;
An instrument unfit indeed,
Yet thou wilt give me what I need!'

3 And if thou canst not go, yet bring
An offering of a willing heart;
Then, though thou tarriest at home,
Thy GOD shall give thee, too, thy part;
The messengers of peace upbear
In ceaseless and prevailing prayer.

4 Short is the time for service true,
For soon shall dawn that glorious day
When, all the harvest gathered in,
Each faithful heart shall hear him say—
'My child, well done! thy toil is o'er—
Enter my joy for evermore!' Amen.

286

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1848

'Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound.
Lev. xxv. 9.

O BROTHERS, lift your voices,
Triumphant songs to raise;
Till heaven on high rejoices,
And earth is filled with praise.
Ten thousand hearts are bounding
With holy hopes and free;
The gospel trump is sounding,
The trump of jubilee.

2 O Christian brothers, glorious
Shall be the conflict's close:
The Cross hath been victorious,
And shall be o'er its foes.
Faith is our battle-token:
Our Leader all controls;
Our trophies, fetters broken;
Our captives, ransomed souls.

3 Not unto us—LORD JESUS,
To thee all praise be due;
Whose blood-bought mercy frees us,
Has freed our brethren too.

Not unto us—in glory
The angels catch the strain,
And cast their crowns before thee
Exultingly again.

4 Great GOD of our salvation,
Thy presence we adore:
Praise, glory, adoration
Be thine for evermore.
Still on in conflict pressing
On thee thy people call,
Thee King of kings confessing,
Thee crowning LORD of all. Amen.

287

Rev. Thomas Kelly, 1806.

'The Lord shall be king over all the earth.' Zech. xiv. 9.

ZION'S King shall reign victorious;
All the earth shall own his sway;
He will make his kingdom glorious;
He will reign through endless day.

2 Nations now from GOD estrangèd
Then shall see a glorious light;
Night to day shall then be changèd,
Heaven shall triumph in the sight.

3 Then shall Israel, long dispersèd,
Mourning seek the LORD their GOD;
Look on him whom once they piercèd,
Own and kiss the chastening rod.

4 Mighty King, thine arm revealing,
Now thy glorious cause maintain;
Bring the nations help and healing,
Make them subject to thy reign. Amen.

288

Katharine S. Mills, 1899.

'Now it is high time to awake out of sleep.' Rom. xiii. 11.

AWAKE! awake! O Christian,
The long dark night is past,
The Day-Star is arising,
The dawn is near at last:
The lands so long enshrouded
In darkness deep and drear
Are longing that the tidings
Of GOD's love they may hear.

2 A cry comes o'er the mountains
And floats upon the breeze,
From tropic shores and islands,
And from the Arctic Seas.
'Neath gleaming constellations,
The pole star in the north,
From Yukon's ice-bound borders,
The yearning cry comes forth.

3 From sea-girt Australasia,
Where in the starry sky
The Southern Cross burns brightly,
Again there comes the cry.
In valleys fair and smiling,
Where Christian ne'er hath trod,
The weary hearts are sighing
For thee—the unknown GOD.

4 Where o'er the slopes of Persia
The fiercy crescent gleams,
From distant dark Uganda,
And Niger's deadly streams,
From China's unloved daughters,
From flower-crowned Japan,
The cry is heard, 'O tell us
GOD's wondrous love to man.'

5 From lips of suffering sisters,
'Neath India's glowing sun,
From earth's dark, cruel places,
From many a weary one,
The cry is 'Come and help us,
Who grope as in the night,
Our eyes are blind and sightless,
O show us the true light.

6 'O hear our cry, good Christian,
And in our sore distress
Reveal to us the SAVIOUR,
Who longs to love and bless;
And then with hearts uplifted,
And grateful voice we'll raise,
To FATHER, SON, and SPIRIT,
Our joyful song of praise.' Amen.

289

Cara B. Evans, 1905.

'The love of Christ constraineth us.' 2 Cor. v. 14.

THE love of CHRIST constraineth;
O let the watchword ring
Till all the world adoring
To JESUS' feet it bring.
Till north and south the kingdoms
Shall own his glorious sway,
And east and west the nations
Rejoice to see his day.

2 The love of CHRIST constraineth;
At home, abroad, where'er
By sea or shore abiding
His Name and sign we bear.
We ask not that our service
Or great or small may be,
If only thou wilt own it,
Dear LORD, as unto thee.

3 The love of CHRIST constraineth;
And we who trust his Word
Who know and feel its power
To gladder service stirred,
Shall neither faint nor falter,
Though dark the night and long,
And weak our hands that labour;
His strength shall make us strong.

4 The love of CHRIST constraineth;
Then let us work and pray,
And watch the glad appearing
Of that triumphant day,
When FATHER, SON, and SPIRIT,
By every tongue confessed,
All earth his broad dominion
In his dear love shall rest. Amen.

MEDICAL MISSIONS

290 *Hardwicke Drummond Rawnsley*, 1922.

'Gifts of healing by the same Spirit.' 1 Cor. xii. 9.

FATHER, whose will is life and good
For all of mortal breath,
Bind strong the bond of brotherhood
Of those who fight with death.

2 Empower the hands and hearts and wills
Of friends both near and far,
Who battle with the body's ills,
And wage thy holy war.

3 Where'er they heal the maimed and blind,
Let love of CHRIST attend:
Proclaim the good Physician's mind,
And prove the SAVIOUR friend.

4 For still his love works wondrous charms,
And, as in days of old,
He takes the wounded to his arms,
And bears them to the fold.

5 O FATHER, look from heaven and bless,
Where'er thy servants be,
Their works of pure unselfishness,
Made consecrate to thee! Amen.

291

Ascribed to Basil Manley, 1880.

'The night is far spent, the day is at hand.' Rom. xiii. 12.

WORK, for the day is coming!
Day in the Word foretold,
When, 'mid the scenes triumphant,
Longed for by saints of old,
He who on earth a stranger
Traversed its paths of pain,
JESUS, the Prince, the SAVIOUR,
Comes evermore to reign.

2 Work, for the day is coming!
Darkness will soon be gone,
Then o'er the night of weeping
Day without end shall dawn.
What now we sow in sadness,
Then we shall reap in joy;
Hope will be changed to gladness,
Praise be our blest employ.

3 Work, for the LORD is coming!
Children of light are we;
From JESUS' bright appearing
Powers of darkness flee.
Soon will the strife be ending,
Soon all our toils below,
Not to the dark we're tending,
But to the day we go. Amen.

292 *Rev. Henry Hallam Tweedy*, 1929.

'In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.' Col. ii. 3.

ETERNAL GOD, whose power upholds
Both flower and flaming star,
To whom there is no here nor there,
No time, no near, no far,
No alien race, no foreign shore,
No child unsought, unknown,
O send us forth, thy prophets true,
To make all lands thine own!

2 O GOD of love, whose spirit wakes
In every human breast,
Whom love, and love alone can know,
In whom all hearts find rest,
Help us to spread thy gracious reign
Till greed and hate shall cease,
And kindness dwell in human hearts,
And all the earth find peace!

*3 O GOD of truth, whom science seeks
And reverent souls adore,
Who lightest every earnest mind
Of every clime and shore,
Dispel the gloom of error's night
Of ignorance and fear,
Until true wisdom from above
Shall make life's pathway clear!

*4 O GOD of beauty, oft revealed
In dreams of human art,
In speech that flows to melody,
In holiness of heart,
Teach us to ban all ugliness
That blinds our eyes to thee,
Till all shall know the loveliness
Of lives made fair and free.

5 O GOD of righteousness and grace,
Seen in the CHRIST, thy SON,
Whose life and death reveal thy face,
By whom thy will was done,
Inspire thy heralds of good news
To live thy life divine,
Till CHRIST is formed in all mankind,
And every land is thine. Amen.

293

James Lewis Milligan, 1930.

'The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.' St. Matt. iii. 3.

THERE'S a voice in the wilderness crying,
A call from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway,
A highway for our GOD!
The valleys shall be exalted,
The lofty hills brought low;
Make straight all the crooked places,
Where the LORD our GOD may go!

2 O Zion, that bringest good tidings,
Get thee up to the heights and sing!
Proclaim to a desolate people
The coming of their King:
Like the flowers of the field they perish,
The works of men decay,
The power and pomp of nations
Shall pass like a dream away.

3 But the word of our GOD endureth,
The arm of the LORD is strong;
He stands in the midst of nations,
And he will right the wrong:
He shall feed his flock like a shepherd,
And fold the lambs to his breast;
In pastures of peace he'll lead them,
And give to the weary rest.

4 There's a voice in the wilderness crying,
A call from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway
A highway for our GOD!
The valleys shall be exalted,
The lofty hills brought low;
Make straight all the crooked places,
Where the LORD our GOD may go! Amen.

294

H. Ernest Nichol ('*Colin Sterne*'), 1896.

'Out of darkness into his marvellous light.'
1 Pet. ii. 9.

WE'VE a story to tell to the nations,
That shall turn their hearts to the Light,
A story of truth and sweetness,
A story of peace and right.
For the darkness shall turn to dawning,
And the dawning to noon-day bright,
And CHRIST's great kingdom shall come on earth,
The kingdom of love and light.

2 We've a song to be sung to the nations,
That shall lift their hearts to the LORD,
A song that shall conquer evil,
And shatter the spear and sword.
For the darkness shall turn.

3 We've a message to give to the nations,
That the LORD who reigneth above
Hath sent us his SON to save us,
And show us that GOD is love.
For the darkness shall turn.

4 We've a SAVIOUR to show to the nations,
Who the path of sorrow has trod,
That all of the world's great peoples
Might come to the truth of GOD.
For the darkness shall turn to dawning,
And the dawning to noon-day bright,
And CHRIST's great kingdom shall come on earth,
The kingdom of love and light. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
Nos. 93, 321, 387, 388, 396, 565, 580, 684, 723.

ALMSGIVING AND OTHER OFFERINGS

295 *Bishop W. Walsham How*, 1858.

'As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another.' 1 Pet. iv. 10.

WE give thee but thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be:
All that we have is thine alone,
A trust, O LORD, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive,
And gladly as thou blessest us
To thee our first-fruits give.

3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead,
And homes are bare and cold,
And lambs, for whom the Shepherd bled,
Are straying from the fold.

4 To comfort and to bless,
To find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and fatherless
Is angels' work below.

5 The captive to release,
To GOD the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be,
Whate'er for thine we do, O LORD,
We do it unto thee. Amen.

296

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1863.

'Freely ye have received, freely give.' St. Matt. x. 8.

O LORD of heaven and earth and sea,
To thee all praise and glory be;
How shall we show our love to thee,
Giver of all?

2 The golden sunshine, vernal air,
Sweet flowers and fruits, thy love declare:
Where harvests ripen, thou art there,
Giver of all!

3 For peaceful homes and healthful days,
For all the blessings earth displays,
We owe thee thankfulness and praise,
Giver of all!

4 Thou didst not spare thine only SON,
But gav'st him for a world undone,
And freely with that Blessèd One
Thou givest all!

5 Thou giv'st the HOLY SPIRIT's dower,
Spirit of life, and love, and power,
And dost his sevenfold graces shower
Upon us all.

6 For souls redeemed, for sins forgiven,
For means of grace, and hopes of heaven,
FATHER, what can to thee be given,
Who givest all?

7 To thee, from whom we all derive
Our life, our gifts, our power to give,
O may we ever with thee live,
Giver of all! Amen.

297

Rev. S. Childs Clarke, 1893.

'All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.' 1 Chron. xxix. 14.

LORD of all creation,
Now before thy throne,
We thy people bring thee
Gifts that are thine own.
Thine is all the greatness,
Power and glory thine,
High o'er all exalted,
Majesty Divine.

Of thine own we offer,
Of thy gifts we give
Unto thee, O FATHER,
In whose life all live.

*2 All the gold and silver,
Corn on plains and hills,
Grass upon the mountains,
Water in the rills—
All things yield thee glory,
With thy Light they shine;
Thou all art inspirest—
Science, skill, are thine.

Of thine own we offer.

3 Body, soul, and spirit,
Thought, and speech, and song,
Come to thee, Creator,
And to thee belong.

These in bounden duty
We devote to thee;
Thine is all the dower,
Thine the glory be.
Of thine own we offer.

*4 Of all works man doeth,
None can greater be
Than the work devoted,
O LORD GOD, to thee:
Hither all to serve thee,
Rich and poor repair,
Joy awaits thy people
In thy house of prayer.
Of thine own we offer.

5 Alms-deeds, prayers, and praises,
With 'the willing mind',
In the Name of JESUS,
Shall acceptance find.
Evermore thanksgiving
To the FATHER, SON,
And the gracious SPIRIT,
Blessèd THREE in ONE.
Still thy Church shall offer,
Of thy gifts shall give
Unto thee, the Giver,
In whose life all live. Amen.

FOR THE SICK

298 *Rev. Charles Kingsley*, 1871.

'He hath given men skill, that he might be honoured in his marvellous works.' Ecclus. xxxviii. 6.

FROM thee all skill and science flow,
All pity, care, and love,
All calm and courage, faith and hope:
O pour them from above!

2 And part them, LORD, to each and all,
As each and all shall need
To rise, like incense, each to thee,
In noble thought and deed.

3 And hasten, LORD, that perfect day
When pain and death shall cease,
And thy just rule shall fill the earth
With health, and light, and peace. Amen.

299

Rev. F. J. Moore, 1938.

'Thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.' Ps. xli. 3.

FATHER of mercy,
Lover of all children,
Who in their form didst send thy SON;
Gladly we bless thee, humbly we pray thee,
For all the little ones of earth.

2 In thy compassion,
Helper of the helpless,
Tend them in sickness, ease their pain;
Heal their diseases, lighten their sorrows,
And from all evil keep them free.

3 Power and blessing
Grant us now and ever,
Who fain would serve them in thy Name;
May all our labour, crowned by thy favour,
Bear fruit eternal unto thee. Amen.

300

Rev. Godfrey Thring, 1870.

'They brought unto him all sick people . . . and he healed them.' St. Matt. iv. 24.

THOU to whom the sick and dying
Ever came, nor came in vain,
Still with healing words replying
To the wearied cry of pain,
Hear us, JESU, as we meet,
Suppliants at thy mercy-seat.

2 Still the weary, sick, and dying
Need a brother's, sister's care,
On thy higher help relying
May we now their burden share,
Bringing all our offerings meet,
Suppliants at thy mercy-seat.

3 May each child of thine be willing,
Willing both in hand and heart,
All the law of love fulfilling,
Ever comfort to impart,
Ever bringing offerings meet,
Suppliant to thy mercy-seat.

4 So may sickness, sin, and sadness
To thy healing power yield,
Till the sick and sad, in gladness,
Rescued, ransomed, cleansèd, healed,—
One in thee together meet,
Pardoned, at thy judgment-seat. Amen.

FOR THOSE THAT TRAVEL AND ABSENT FRIENDS

301 *William Whiting*, 1860

'Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.' Ps. lxxxix. 9.

For travellers by sea.

ETERNAL FATHER, strong to save,
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

2 O SAVIOUR, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,
And calm amidst its rage didst sleep;
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

3 O Sacred SPIRIT, who didst brood
Upon the chaos dark and rude,
Who bad'st its angry tumult cease,
And gavest light, and life, and peace;
O hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

4 O TRINITY of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
And ever let there rise to thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.
Amen.

302

Kathryn Munro, 1928.

'The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.' Deut. xxxiii. 27.

For travellers by air.

O THOU within whose sure control
The surging planets onward roll,
Whose everlasting arms embrace
The sons of every clime and race:
Hear thou, O LORD, our earnest prayer
For those who travel by the air.

2 Thou at the impulse of whose will
A troubled Galilee grew still,
Thy chart and compass shall provide
Deliverance from storm and tide:
Hear thou, O LORD, our earnest prayer
For those who travel by the air.

3 Across the ocean, dread and deep,
Above the forest's lonely sweep,
Or when through serried clouds they rise
And hidden are from mortal eyes:
Hear thou, O LORD, our earnest prayer
For those who travel by the air.

4 Uphold their shining argosies
Upon the vast ethereal seas;
Encompass thou their valiant wings
In all their brave adventurings:
Hear thou, O LORD, our earnest prayer
For those who travel by the air. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
303 Holy Father, in thy mercy.
507 Fierce raged the tempest.
512 Fierce was the billow wild.
785 Jesus, Saviour, pilot me.

303

Isabel S. Stevenson, 1889.

'And now, brethren, I commend you to God.'
Acts xx. 32.

HOLY FATHER, in thy mercy
Hear our earnest prayer;
Keep our loved ones, in their absence,
'Neath thy care.

2 JESUS, SAVIOUR, let thy presence
Be their light and guide;
Keep, O keep them, in their weakness,
At thy side.

3 When in sorrow, when in danger,
When in loneliness,
In thy love look down and comfort
Their distress.

4 May the joy of thy salvation
Be their strength and stay;
May they love and may they praise thee
Day by day.

5 HOLY SPIRIT, let thy teaching
Sanctify their life;
Send thy grace, that they may conquer
In the strife.

6 FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT,
GOD the ONE in THREE,
Bless them, guide them, save them, keep them
Near to thee. Amen.

304

Rev. J. Eames Rankin, 1882.

'The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.' Gen. xxxi. 49.

GOD be with you till we meet again!
By his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you!
GOD be with you till we meet again!
Till we meet again! Till we meet again!
Till we meet at JESUS' feet;
Till we meet again! Till we meet again!
GOD be with you till we meet again!

2 GOD be with you till we meet again!
'Neath his wings securely hide you,
Daily manna still provide you;
GOD be with you till we meet again!
Till we meet again!

3 GOD be with you till we meet again!
When life's perils thick confound you,
Put his loving arms around you;
GOD be with you till we meet again!
Till we meet again!

4 GOD be with you till we meet again!
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before you;
GOD be with you till we meet again!
Till we meet again! Amen.

305

Tr. (1858) *from the German of Rev. Martin Rinkart* (1636) *by Catherine Winkworth*

'This God is our God for ever and ever.' Ps. xlviii. 14

Nun danket alle Gott.

NOW thank we all our GOD,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

2 O may this bounteous GOD
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessèd peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to GOD
The FATHER now be given,
The SON, and HOLY GHOST,
Supreme in highest heaven,
The ONE eternal GOD,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

598 For the beauty of the earth.
665 My God, I thank thee, who.

306

William Chatterton Dix, 1864.

'Thou crownest the year with thy goodness.' Ps. lxv. 11.

TO thee, O LORD, our hearts we raise,
In hymns of adoration;
To thee bring sacrifice of praise,
With shouts of exultation.
Bright robes of gold the fields adorn,
The hills with joy are ringing;
The valleys stand so thick with corn,
That even they are singing.

2 And now, on this our festal day,
Thy bounteous hand confessing,
Upon thine altar, LORD, we lay
The first-fruits of thy blessing:
By thee the souls of men are fed
With gifts of grace supernal;
Thou who dost give us daily bread,
Give us the Bread eternal.

3 We bear the burden of the day,
And often toil seems dreary,
But labour ends with sunset ray,
And rest is for the weary:
May we, the angel-reaping o'er,
Stand at the last accepted,
CHRIST's golden sheaves for evermore
To garners bright elected!

4 O blessèd is that land of GOD,
Where saints abide for ever;
Where golden fields spread fair and broad,
Where flows the crystal river.
The strains of all its holy throng
With ours to-day are blending;
Thrice blessèd is that harvest song
Which never hath an ending! Amen.

307

Dean Henry Alford, 1844.

'They joy before thee according to the joy in harvest.'
Isa. ix. 3.

COME, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home!
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin:
GOD, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied:
Come to GOD's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest-home!

2 All the world is GOD's own field,
Fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear:
LORD of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

3 For the LORD our GOD shall come,
And shall take his harvest home;
From his field shall in that day
All offences purge away;
Give his angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store
In his garner evermore.

4 Even so, LORD, quickly come
To thy final harvest-home!
Gather thou thy people in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
There for ever purified,
In thy presence to abide:
Come, with all thine angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest-home. Amen.

308

Tr. (1861) *from Matthias Claudius* (1782)
by Jane Montgomery Campbell.

'The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.' Ps. cxlv. 15.

Wir pflügen und wir streuen.

WE plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By GOD's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes, and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us
Are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the LORD, O thank the LORD,
For all his love.

2 He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey him,
By him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, his children,
He gives our daily bread.

All good gifts.

3 We thank thee then, O FATHER,
For all things bright and good,
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food;
Accept the gifts we offer
For all thy love imparts,
And, what thou most desirest,
Our humble, thankful hearts.

All good gifts. Amen.

309

Wm. Henry Gill, 1896; *vv.* 4 *and* 5 *added in* 1904.

'Hearken unto the cry and the prayer which thy servant prayeth before thee.' 2 Chron. vi. 19.

HEAR us, O LORD, from heaven thy dwelling-place:
Like them of old, in vain we toil all night,
Unless with us thou go, who art the Light;
Come, then, O LORD, that we may see thy face.

2 Thou, LORD, dost rule the raging of the sea,
When loud the storm and furious is the gale:
Strong is thine arm; our little barques are frail:
Send us thy help; remember Galilee.

3 Our wives and children we commend to thee:
For them we plough the land and plough the deep;
For them by day the golden corn we reap,
By night the silver harvest of the sea.

4 We thank thee, LORD, for sunshine, dew, and rain,
Broadcast from heaven by thine almighty hand—
Source of all life, unnumbered as the sand—
Bird, beast, and fish, herb, fruit, and golden grain.

5 O Bread of Life, thou in thy Word hast said,
Who feeds in faith on me shall never die!
In mercy hear thy hungry children's cry,—
FATHER, give us this day our daily bread!

6 Sow in our hearts the seeds of thy dear love,
That we may reap contentment, joy, and peace;
And when at last our earthly labours cease,
Grant us to join thy harvest home above.
Amen.

310

Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1861.

'O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy endureth for ever.' Ps. cxxxvi. 26.

PRAISE, O praise our GOD and King;
Hymns of adoration sing;
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.

2 Praise him that he made the sun
Day by day his course to run;
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure;

3 And the silver moon by night,
Shining with her gentle light;
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.

4 Praise him that he gave the rain
To mature the swelling grain;
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure;

5 And hath bid the fruitful field
Crops of precious increase yield;
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.

6 Praise him for our harvest-store,
He hath filled the garner-floor;
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure;

7 And for richer Food than this,
Pledge of everlasting bliss;
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.

8 Glory to our bounteous King;
Glory let creation sing;
Glory to the FATHER, SON,
And blest SPIRIT, THREE in ONE. Amen.

311

Rev. J. E. Ward, 1938.

'They joy before thee according to the joy in harvest.' Isa. ix. 3.

RING, ye bells of joy and praise;
Ring throughout the harvest days;
Ring across the golden fields,
Praise where earth her bounty yields.

2 Chiming to the great Bestower;
Chiming to the heavenly Sower;
Tillage has been turned again
Into ranks of golden grain.

3 Food from labour, rest from toil;
Wondrous mystery of the soil!
Beauty from the cloven mould;
Broken sod to living gold.

4 Worship, honour, glory, love,
Binding earth to heaven above;
Bending from high heaven down,
This our harvest hour to crown.

5 Ours the homage; thine the gift;
'Mid thy bounty we uplift
Hearts for beauty thou hast given,
LORD of earth, and LORD of heaven. Amen.

312

Anna L. Barbauld, 1772.

'Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.' Ps. lxvii. 3.

PRAISE to GOD, immortal praise,
For the love that crowns our days;
Bounteous source of every joy,
Let thy praise our tongues employ:

2 For the blessings of the fields,
For the stores the garden yields,
Flocks that whiten all the plain,
Yellow sheaves of ripened grain:

3 All that spring with bounteous hand
Scatters o'er the smiling land:
All that liberal autumn pours
From her rich o'erflowing stores:

4 These to thee, O GOD, we owe:
Source whence all our blessings flow;
And for these our souls shall raise
Grateful vows and solemn praise. Amen.

313

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1871.

'The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life.'
Proverbs xi. 30.

THE year is swiftly waning,
The summer days are past;
And life, brief life, is speeding;
The end is nearing fast.

2 The ever-changing seasons
In silence come and go;
But thou, Eternal FATHER,
No time or change canst know.

3 O pour thy grace upon us
That we may worthier be,
Each year that passes o'er us,
To dwell in heaven with thee.

4 Behold, the bending orchards
With bounteous fruit are crowned;
LORD, in our hearts more richly
Let heavenly fruits abound.

5 O by each mercy sent us,
And by each grief and pain,
By blessings like the sunshine,
And sorrows like the rain.

6 Our barren hearts make fruitful
With every goodly grace;
That we thy Name may hallow,
And see at last thy face. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
296 O Lord of heaven and earth.
378 God of mercy, God of grace.
397 Alleluia! sing to Jesus.

FOR OUR COUNTRY AND FOR PEACE

314 *Henry Carey* (*vv.* 1, 2), *c.* 1742.

'And all the people shouted, and said, God save the king.'
1 Sam. x. 24.

GOD save our gracious king,
Long live our noble king,
GOD save the king:
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
GOD save the king.

2 Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour;
Long may he reign:
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause
To sing with heart and voice,
GOD save the king.

The following verse may also be sung:

3 Our loved Dominion bless
With peace and happiness
From shore to shore;
And let our Empire be
Loyal, united, free,
True to herself and thee
For evermore.

315

Henry F. Chorley, 1842; *and Rev. John Ellerton*, 1870.

'The work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.' Isa. xxxii. 17.

GOD the all-mighty One! King who ordainest
Thunder thy clarion, lightning thy sword;
Show forth thy pity on high where thou reignest:
Give to us peace in our time, O LORD!

2 GOD the all-merciful! earth hath forsaken
Thy ways of blessedness, slighted thy word;
Bid not thy wrath in its terrors awaken:
Give to us peace in our time, O LORD!

3 GOD the all-righteous One! man hath defied thee;
Yet to eternity standeth thy word;
Falsehood and wrong shall not tarry beside thee:
Give to us peace in our time, O LORD!

4 GOD the all-wise! by the fire of thy chastening
Earth shall to freedom and truth be restored;
Through the thick darkness thy kingdom is hastening:
Thou wilt give peace in thy time, O LORD!

5 So shall thy children with thankful devotion
Praise him who saved them from peril and sword,
Singing in chorus from ocean to ocean,
Peace to the nations, and praise to the LORD.
Amen.

316

Rudyard Kipling, 1897.

'Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God.' Deut. viii. 11.

GOD of our fathers, known of old,
LORD of our far-flung battle line,
Beneath whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine:
LORD GOD of hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

2 The tumult and the shouting dies;
The captains and the kings depart:
Still stands thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart:
LORD GOD of hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

3 Far called our navies melt away,
On dune and headland sinks the fire;
Lo, all our pomp of yesterday
Is one with Nineveh and Tyre!
Judge of the nations, spare us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

4 If, drunk with sight of power, we loose
Wild tongues that have not thee in awe,
Such boastings as the Gentiles use,
Or lesser breeds without the law:
LORD GOD of hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

5 For heathen heart that puts her trust
In reeking tube and iron shard;
All valiant dust that builds on dust,
And guarding calls not thee to guard:
For frantic boast and foolish word,
Thy mercy on thy people, LORD. Amen.

317

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1897.

'The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.' Ps. cxxvi. 3.

O KING of kings, whose reign of old
Hath been from everlasting,
Before whose throne their crowns of gold
The white-robed saints are casting;
While all the shining courts on high
With angel-songs are ringing,
O let thy children venture nigh,
Their lowly homage bringing.

2 For every heart, made glad by thee,
With thankful praise is swelling;
And every tongue, with joy set free,
Its happy theme is telling.
Thou hast been mindful of thine own,
And lo! we come confessing—
'Tis thou hast dowered our Empire's throne
With countless years of blessing.

3 Lead on, O LORD, thy people still,
New grace and wisdom giving,
To larger love and purer will,
And nobler heights of living.
And while of all thy love below
They chant the gracious story,
O teach them first thy CHRIST to know,
And magnify his glory. Amen.

318

A. C. Benson, 1900.

'They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.' Isa. ii. 4.

O LORD of hosts, who didst upraise
Strong captains to defend the right,
In darker years and sterner days,
And armedst Israel for the fight:
Thou madest Joshua true and strong,
And David framed the battle-song.

2 And must we battle yet? Must we,
Who bear the tender name Divine,
Still barter life for victory—
Still glory in the crimson sign?
The Crucified between us stands,
And lifts on high his wounded hands.

3 LORD, we are weak and wilful yet,
The fault is in our clouded eyes;
But thou, through anguish and regret,
Dost make thy faithless children wise;
Through wrong, through hate, thou dost approve
The far-off victories of love.

4 And so from out the heart of strife,
Diviner echoes peal and thrill;
The scorned delights, the lavished life,
The pain that serves a nation's will;
Thy comfort stills the mourner's cries,
And love is crowned by sacrifice.

5 As rains that weep the clouds away,
As winds that leave a calm in heaven,
So let the slayer cease to slay;—
The passion healed, the wrath forgiven,
Draw nearer, bid the tumult cease,
Redeemer, SAVIOUR, Prince of Peace! Amen.

319

Rev. E. H. Sears, 1849.

'On earth peace, good will toward men.' St. Luke ii. 14.

IT came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth
To touch their harps of gold:
Peace on the earth, good-will to men
From heaven's all-gracious King:
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

2 Still through the cloven skies they come
With peaceful wings unfurled;
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world:

Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessèd angels sing.

3 Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long;
Beneath the angel-strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man at war with man hears not
The words of peace they bring:—
O listen now, ye men of strife,
And hear the angels sing.

4 O ye, beneath life's crushing load
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow;
Look now, for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on the wing:
O rest beside the weary road,
And hear the angels sing.

5 For lo, the days are hastening on,
By prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years
Shall come the time foretold,
When the new heaven and earth shall own
The Prince of Peace their King,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing. Amen.

320

John Crosse, 1825.

'I am thy shield.' Gen. xv. 1.

LORD of heaven, and earth, and ocean,
Hear us from thy bright abode,
While our hearts, with deep devotion,
Own their great and gracious GOD:

Now with joy we come before thee,
Seek thy face, thy mercies sing;
LORD of life, and light, and glory,
Guard thy Church, and guide our king.

2 Peace and health, and every blessing,
Are thy bounteous gifts alone;
Comforts undeserved possessing,
Here we bend before thy throne:
Young and old, O GOD, before thee
Their united tribute bring;
LORD of life, and light, and glory,
Shield our land, and save our king.

3 Thee, with humble adoration,
LORD, we praise for mercies past;
Still to this most favoured nation
May those mercies ever last;
And thy servants still before thee
Songs of ceaseless praise will sing:
LORD of life, and light, and glory,
Bless thy people, bless our king. Amen.

321

Canon Lewis Hensley, 1867.

'Thy kingdom come.' St. Luke xi. 2.

THY kingdom come, O GOD,
Thy rule, O CHRIST, begin;
Break with thine iron rod
The tyrannies of sin.

2 Where is thy reign of peace,
And purity, and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
As in the realms above?

3 When comes the promised time
That war shall be no more,
And lust, oppression, crime
Shall flee thy face before?

4 We pray thee, LORD, arise,
And come in thy great might;
Revive our longing eyes,
Which languish for thy sight.

5 Men scorn thy sacred Name,
And wolves devour thy fold;
By many deeds of shame
We learn that love grows cold.

6 O'er heathen lands afar
Thick darkness broodeth yet;
Arise, O morning Star,
Arise, and never set. Amen.

322

Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1861.

'He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth.'
Ps. xlvi. 9.

O GOD of love, O King of peace,
Make wars throughout the world to cease;
The wrath of sinful man restrain,
Give peace, O GOD, give peace again.

2 Remember, LORD, thy works of old,
The wonders that our fathers told,
Remember not our sin's dark stain,
Give peace, O GOD, give peace again.

3 Whom shall we trust but thee, O LORD?
Where rest but on thy faithful word?
None ever called on thee in vain,
Give peace, O GOD, give peace again.

4 Where saints and angels dwell above,
All hearts are knit in holy love;
O bind us in that heavenly chain,
Give peace, O GOD, give peace again. Amen.

323

Robert Bridges in the 'Yattendon Hymnal' (1899).

'He shall give strength unto his king.' 1 Sam. ii. 10.

THE King, O GOD, his heart to thee upraiseth;
With him the nation bows before thy face;
With high thanksgiving thee thy glad Church praiseth,
Our strength thy spirit, our trust and hope thy grace.

2 Unto great honour, glory undeservèd,
Hast thou exalted us, and drawn thee nigh;
Nor, from thy judgments when our feet had swervèd,
Didst thou forsake, nor leave us, LORD most high.

PART 2

3 In thee our fathers trusted and were savèd,
In thee destroyèd thrones of tyrants proud;
From ancient bondage freed the poor enslavèd;
To sow thy truth poured out their saintly blood.

4 Unto our minds give freedom and uprightness;
Let strength and courage lead o'er land and wave;
To our souls' armour grant celestial brightness,
Joy to our hearts, and faith beyond the grave.

5 Our plenteous nation still in power extending,
Increase our joy, uphold us by thy word;
Beauty and wisdom all our ways attending,
Good will to man and peace through CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

324

George A. Kingston, 1938.

'The Lord will bless his people with peace.' Ps. xxix. 11.

CREATION'S LORD, who from thy heaven
Cam'st down to earth, and took our form,
Who movest planets in their turn,
Who stilled the waves, and stayed the storm,
Give ear, O LORD, to this our plea,
And save the world from War's decree.

2 LORD of the nations, who dost know
The world's high rulers' inmost thought,
Teach them to learn in thy great Light
The works that only love hath wrought;
Create in them the will for peace,
That war throughout the world may cease.

3 Forbid, O LORD, that hymns of hate
Should o'er the lands again be sung;
Let songs of love and brotherhood
Swell high the note on every tongue.
May man enthrone thee, Prince of Peace,
That war in all the earth may cease. Amen.

325

Albert D. Watson, 1917.

'The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.' Ps. xxxvii. 29.

LORD of the lands, beneath thy bending skies,
On field and flood, where'er our banner flies,
Thy people lift their hearts to thee,
Their grateful voices raise:
May our Dominion ever be
A temple to thy praise.
Thy will alone let all enthrone;
LORD of the lands, make Canada thine own!

2 Almighty Love, by thy mysterious power,
In wisdom guide, with faith and freedom dower;
Be ours a nation evermore
That no oppression blights,
Where justice rules from shore to shore,
From lakes to northern lights.
May love alone for wrong atone;
LORD of the lands, make Canada thine own!

3 LORD of the worlds, with strong eternal hand,
Hold us in honour, truth, and self-command;
The loyal heart, the constant mind,
The courage to be true,
Our wide extending Empire bind,
And all the earth renew.
Thy Name be known through every zone;
LORD of the worlds, make all the lands thine own. Amen.

326

Justice R. S. Weir, 1908.

'He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.' Ps. lxxii. 8.

O CANADA! our home and native land!
True patriot-love in all thy sons command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free,
And stand on guard, O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, glorious and free,
We stand on guard, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

2 O Canada! where pines and maples grow,
Great prairies spread and lordly rivers flow,
How dear to us thy broad domain,
From East to Western Sea
Thou land of hope for all who toil!
Thou True North, strong and free.
O Canada, glorious and free.

3 Ruler Supreme, who hearest humble prayer,
Hold our Dominion in thy loving care;
Help us to find, O God, in thee
A lasting, rich reward,
As, waiting for the Better Day,
We ever stand on guard.
O Canada, glorious and free. Amen.

Alternative Version

v. 1, *by Lawrence Buchan,* 1938; *vv.* 2 *and* 3, *by Bishop C. Venn Pilcher,* 1938.

O CANADA, our heritage, our love,
Thy worth we praise, all other lands above.
From sea to sea, throughout thy length,
From pole to borderland,
At Britain's side whate'er betide
Unflinchingly we'll stand.
With heart we sing, 'God save the King',
'Guide thou the Empire wide', do we implore,
'And prosper Canada from shore to shore.'

2 O Canada, our land, our love, our pride,
Bought by the blood of men who dared and died;
From East to West we loyal stand
By prairie, lake, and sea,
And pledge with joy both heart and hand
To God, to King, to thee!
Steadfast in mind stand we combined,
Mighty to serve our country, serve mankind!

3 O Canada, our land, our pride, our love,
High be thine aim, all selfish aims above:
Thy maple leaves, blood-red, recall
Christ's cross of splendid pain;
Thy golden sheaves, made bread for all,
His life, whose death was gain:
Thine be this mind! God's prize to find,
Follow the Christ who calls thee, calls mankind. Amen.

327

Mary S. Edgar, 1927.

'All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.' Ps. xxv. 10.

GOD of the nations of the earth,
We lift our hearts to thee
For this fair land that gave us birth,
A country wide and free.
For mountain heights and wooded glades,
For prairie, lake, and sea,
For lavishness in all the gifts
That find their source in thee.

2 We thank thee for the sacrifice
Of daring men of old,
For faith to cross uncharted seas,
For dreams to make men bold;
For saintly men and pioneers,
For all who served their age,
And left for us who follow on
A sacred heritage.

3 May we be worthy of our land,
And seek her highest good,
Shaping a noble destiny
Of truest brotherhood.
May this fair land, our Canada,
Thine own Dominion be;
Thy people bless with righteousness
From east to western sea. Amen.

328

'*Scottish Paraphrases*', 1781.
Isaiah ii. 2–5; Micah iv. 1–3.

'The mountain of the Lord's house shall be established . . . and all nations shall flow unto it.' Isa. ii. 2.

BEHOLD! the mountain of the LORD
In latter days shall rise
On mountain tops above the hills,
And draw the wondering eyes.

2 To this the joyful nations round,
All tribes and tongues, shall flow;
Up to the hill of GOD, they'll say,
And to his house we'll go.

3 The beam that shines from Zion hill
Shall lighten every land;
The King who reigns in Salem's towers
Shall all the world command.

4 Among the nations he shall judge;
His judgments truth shall guide;
His sceptre shall protect the just,
And quell the sinner's pride.

5 No strife shall rage, nor hostile feuds
Disturb those peaceful years;
To ploughshares men shall beat their swords,
To pruning-hooks their spears.

6 Come then, O house of Jacob! come
To worship at his shrine;
And, walking in the light of GOD,
With holy beauties shine. Amen.

329

Laurence Housman, 1919.

'Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done.' St. Matt. vi. 10.

FATHER eternal, ruler of creation,
SPIRIT of life, which moved ere form was made,
Through the thick darkness covering every nation,
Light to man's blindness, O be thou our aid:
Thy Kingdom come, O LORD, thy will be done.

2 Races and peoples, lo, we stand divided,
And, sharing not our griefs, no joy can share;
By wars and tumults Love is mocked, derided;
His conquering Cross no kingdom wills to bear:
Thy Kingdom come.

3 Envious of heart, blind-eyed, with tongues confounded,
Nation by nation still goes unforgiven,
In wrath and fear, by jealousies surrounded,
Building proud towers which shall not reach to heaven:
Thy Kingdom come.

4 Lust of possession worketh desolations;
There is no meekness in the sons of earth;
Led by no star, the rulers of the nations
Still fail to bring us to the blissful birth:
Thy Kingdom come.

5 How shall we love thee, holy hidden Being,
If we love not the world which thou hast made?
O give us brother-love for better seeing
Thy Word made flesh, and in a manger laid:
Thy Kingdom come. Amen.

330

Rev. Henry Burton, 1904.

'Behold, the day of the Lord cometh.' Isa. xiii. 9.

BREAK, day of GOD, O break!
The night has lingered long;
Our hearts with sighing wake,
We weep for sin and wrong:
O bright and Morning Star, draw near;
O Sun of Righteousness, appear.

2 Break, day of GOD, O break!
The earth with strife is worn;
The hills with thunder shake,
Hearts of the people mourn:
Break, day of GOD, sweet day of peace,
And bid the shout of warriors cease.

3 Break, day of GOD, O break,
Like to the days above!
Let purity awake,
And faith, and hope, and love;
But lo! we see the brightening sky;
The golden morn is drawing nigh. Amen.

331

John Oxenham, 1936.

'In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace.' Ps. lxxii. 7.

PEACE in our time, O LORD,
To all the peoples, Peace!
Peace surely based upon thy will
And built in righteousness.
Thy power alone can break
The fetters that enchain
The sorely stricken soul of life,
And make it live again.

2 Too long mistrust and fear
Have held our souls in thrall;
Sweep through the earth, keen breath of heaven,
And sound a nobler call!
Come, as thou didst of old,
In love so great that men
Shall cast aside all other gods,
And turn to thee again!

3 O shall we never learn
The truth all time has taught,
That without GOD as architect
Our building comes to naught?
LORD, help us, and inspire
Our hearts and lives, that we
May build with all thy wondrous gifts
A Kingdom meet for thee.

4 Peace in our time, O LORD,
To all the peoples, Peace!
Peace that shall crown a glad new world
With thy High Sovereignties.
O living CHRIST, who still
Dost all our burdens share,
Come now and reign within the hearts
Of all men everywhere! Amen.

332

Clifford Bax, 1919.

'Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God.' Joel ii. 13.

TURN back, O Man, forswear thy foolish ways.
Old now is Earth, and none may count her days,
Yet thou, her child, whose head is crowned with flame,
Still wilt not hear thine inner GOD proclaim--
'Turn back, O Man, forswear thy foolish ways'

2 Earth might be fair and all men glad and wise.
Age after age their tragic empires rise,
Built while they dream, and in that dreaming weep:
Would Man but wake from out his haunted sleep,
Earth might be fair and all men glad and wise.

3 Earth shall be fair, and all her people one:
Nor till that hour shall GOD'S whole will be done.
Now, even now, once more from earth to sky,
Peals forth in joy man's old undaunted cry—
'Earth shall be fair, and all her folk be one!'
Amen.

333

John Oxenham, 1927.

'Yea, I have a goodly heritage.' Ps. xvi. 6.

MY own dear land, where'er my footsteps wander,
Ever to thee my heart still turns again;
For thee my love grows ever fonder, fonder,
Till in its might it is akin to pain.
Ever to thee I'm bound by love and duty;
No dearer land to me in all the earth;
By all sweet ties of home and love and beauty,
To thee I cleave, dear land that gave me birth.

2 Yet I look on, beyond earth's limitation,
To where a home of rarer vision gleams,
Fairer than earth's most wonderful creation,
Bathed in the light of heaven's own morning beams.
There we shall meet, from every clime and nation,
There we shall meet in answer to the call,
There we shall meet in joyous consecration,
Sons of one FATHER, brothers one and all.
Amen.

334

Rev. Wm. H. Adams, 1930.

'And thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee.' Deut. viii. 2.

O'ER the trackless ocean guided
By thy hand our fathers came;
They, O LORD, in thee confided,
Loved thy day, revered thy Name;
Nor would we, their faith despising,
False to their devotion be,
But, on wings of prayer arising,
Lift our contrite hearts to thee.

2 In the new land, wild and lonely,
Rude the homes which they upraised,
There they sought unto thee only,
There thy love and mercy praised;
In our fairer habitations,
May their zeal in us increase,
While thy gracious consolations
Prove our everlasting peace.

3 Destined for their fathers' places,
Age on age until the end,
Keep, O keep, our children's faces
Turned to thee, our changeless Friend;
And may all who boon of heaven
Now or evermore shall crave,
Know on earth thy blessing given,
Glory find beyond the grave. Amen.

335

Julia Ward Howe, 1861.

'In that day shall the Lord of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people.' Isa. xxviii. 5.

MINE eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the LORD:
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
His truth is marching on.

2 He hath sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat.
O be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!
Our GOD is marching on.

3 In the beauty of the lilies CHRIST was born across the sea,
With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me:
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
While GOD is marching on!

4 He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;
He is wisdom to the mighty, he is succour to the brave:
So the world shall be his footstool, and the soul of time his slave:
Our GOD is marching on! Amen.

336

Rev. Robert Murray, 1880.

'He shall have dominion also from sea to sea.'
Ps. lxxii. 8.

FROM ocean unto ocean
Our land shall own thee LORD,
And, filled with true devotion,
Obey thy sovereign word.
Our prairies and our mountains,
Forest and fertile field,
Our rivers, lakes, and fountains,
To thee shall tribute yield.

2 O CHRIST, for thine own glory,
And for our country's weal,
We humbly plead before thee,
Thyself in us reveal;
And may we know, LORD JESUS,
The touch of thy dear hand;
And, healed of our diseases,
The tempter's power withstand.

3 Where error smites with blindness,
Enslaves and leads astray,
Do thou in loving-kindness
Proclaim thy gospel day;
Till all the tribes and races
That dwell in this fair land,
Adorned with Christian graces,
Within thy courts shall stand.

4 Our SAVIOUR King, defend us,
And guide where we should go;
Forth with thy message send us,
Thy love and light to show;
Till, fired with true devotion
Enkindled by thy word,
From ocean unto ocean
Our land shall own thee LORD. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

73 'Thy kingdom come'—on bended.
378 God of mercy, God of grace.
379 O God, our help in ages past.
429 O God of Bethel.
655 And did those feet.
659 Judge eternal, throned.

FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS

DEDICATION OF GIFTS

337 *Canon John Julian*, 1898.

'Of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.' Exod. xxv. 2.

GREAT GOD, to thee our hearts we raise
In joyful adoration;
With saints above we hymn thy praise
In notes of exultation:
They, round thy throne a shining throng,
Stand, thy dread might confessing:
We at thy feet pour forth our song,
And humbly seek thy blessing.

2 To thy great glory, LORD, we place,
Within thy shrine most holy,
These hallowed gifts, thy courts to grace,
With thankful hearts and lowly.
Accept, we pray, these works of love,
And seal them thine for ever:
Thy gracious unction from above
Pour thou on gifts and giver.

3 Fountain of good, and GOD of love,
Dwelling in light supernal;
Of all thy gifts from heaven above,
Grant us the life eternal.
And when within this shrine we kneel,
Our sacred Master meeting,
O may our hearts his presence feel,
And joy in heavenly greeting.

4 GOD of our fathers, thee we hail,
One GOD from everlasting,
While saints their crowns within the veil
Before thy throne are casting.
On us and ours, O LORD, we pray,
In joy and in affliction,
Shed forth thy SPIRIT, day by day,
In hallowing benediction. Amen.

LAYING A FOUNDATION STONE

338 *Rev. J. M. Neale*, 1843.

'The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, . . . to beautify the place of my sanctuary.' Isa. lx. 13.

O LORD of hosts, whose glory fills
The bounds of the eternal hills,
And yet vouchsafes, in Christian lands,
To dwell in temples made with hands;

2 Grant that all we, who here to-day
Rejoicing this foundation lay,
May be in very deed thine own,
Built on the precious Corner-stone.

3 Endue the creatures with thy grace,
That shall adorn thy dwelling-place;
The beauty of the oak and pine,
The gold and silver, make them thine.

4 To thee they all belong; to thee
The treasures of the earth and sea;
And when we bring them to thy throne,
We but present thee with thine own.

5 The heads that guide endue with skill,
The hands that work preserve from ill,
That we, who these foundations lay,
May raise the top-stone in its day.

6 Both now and ever, LORD, protect
The temple of thine own elect;
Be thou in them, and they in thee,
O ever-blessèd TRINITY. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
348 Christ is made the sure.
358 Christ is our Corner-stone.
563 The Church's one foundation.

RESTORATION OF A CHURCH

339 *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1869.

'The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former.' Haggai ii. 9.

LIFT the strain of high thanksgiving,
Tread with songs the hallowed way,
Praise our fathers' GOD for mercies
New to us their sons to-day!

Here they built for him a dwelling,
  Served him here in ages past,
Fixed it for his sure possession,
  Holy ground, while time shall last.

2 When the years had wrought their changes,
  He, our own unchanging GOD,
Thought on this his habitation,
  Looked on his decayed abode;
Heard our prayers, and helped our counsels,
  Blessed the silver and the gold,
Till once more his house is standing
  Firm and stately as of old.

3 Entering then thy gates with praises,
  LORD, be ours thine Israel's prayer;—
'Rise into thy place of resting,
  Show thy promised presence there!'
Let the gracious word be spoken
  Here, as once on Sion's height,
'This shall be my rest for ever,
  This my dwelling of delight.'

4 Fill this latter house with glory
  Greater than the former knew;
Clothe with righteousness its priesthood,
  Guide us all to reverence true;
Let thy Holy One's anointing
  Here its sevenfold blessing shed;
Spread for us the heavenly banquet,
  Satisfy thy poor with bread.

5 Praise to thee, Almighty FATHER;
  Praise to thee, Eternal SON;
Praise to thee, all-quickening SPIRIT;
  Ever-blessèd THREE in ONE!
Threefold power and grace and wisdom;
  Moulding out of sinful clay
Living stones for that true temple,
  Which shall never know decay. Amen.

FAMILY LIFE

340 *Carl Johann Philipp Spitta*, 1833. *Adapted from Tr. by Sarah Borthwick Findlater* (1858).

'The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous.' Ps. cxviii. 15.

O selig Haus, wo man dich auf genommen.

O HAPPY home, where thou art loved the dearest,
Thou loving Friend, and SAVIOUR of our race;
And where among the guests there never cometh
One who can hold such high and honoured place.

2 O happy home, where two in heart united
In holy faith and blessèd hope are one,
Whom death a little while alone divideth,
And cannot end the union here begun.

3 O happy home, whose little ones are given
Early to thee, in humble faith and prayer,
To thee, their Friend, who from the heights of heaven
Guides them, and guards with more than mother's care.

4 O happy home, where each one serves thee, lowly,
Whatever his appointed work may be,
Till every common task seems great and holy,
When it is done, O LORD, as unto thee.

5 O happy home, where thou art not forgotten
When joy is overflowing, full and free;
O happy home, where every wounded spirit
Is brought, Physician, Comforter, to thee:

6 Until at last, when earth's day's-work is ended,
All meet thee in the blessèd home above,
From whence thou camest, where thou hast ascended,
Thy everlasting home of peace and love.
Amen.

FOR MOTHERS

341 *Rev. W. C. Piggott*, 1933.

'Take this child away, and nurse it for me.' Exod. ii. 9.

LORD of life, who once wast cradled
On a human mother's knee,
Fed and clothed, and taught and guided
Through the years of infancy:
Help and bless us, as we gather
With our cares and needs to thee.

2 Waking in the early morning
To the round which each day brings;
Sitting late into the evening,
Making garments, mending things:
Give us strength and cheerful patience
For these common happenings.

3 LORD, we thank thee for our children
With their faces bright and fair,
With their laughter and their temper,
Waking gladness, bringing care:
Teach us how to keep them upright,
True and gallant, everywhere.

4 Show us when to hold and curb them,
When to set them finely free,
How to keep their love and reverence
Stainless through the years to be,
How to win their adoration
And their loyalty to thee.

5 And since we have often faltered,
Missed the road and lost our way,
Known temptation, met with trouble,
Hear us mothers, as we pray:
Be thyself their guide and master,
Shape and fit them for their day. Amen.

342

E. L. Shirreff, 1897.

'When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man: thou didst humble thyself to be born of a virgin.' Te Deum: Prot. Epis. Ch. P.B.

GRACIOUS SAVIOUR, who didst honour
Womankind as woman's son;
Very Man, though GOD-begotten,
And with GOD the FATHER one;
Grant our womanhood may be
Consecrated, LORD, to thee.

2 JESU, Son of human mother,
Bless our motherhood, we pray;
Give us grace to lead our children,
Draw them to thee day by day;
May our sons and daughters be
Dedicated, LORD, to thee.

3 Thou who didst with Joseph labour,
Nor didst humble work disdain,
Grant we may thy footsteps follow
Patiently through toil or pain;
May our quiet home life be
Lived, O LORD, in thee, to thee.

4 Thou who didst go forth in sorrow,
Toiling for the souls of men,
Thou who shalt draw all men to thee,
Though despised, rejected then;
Humble though our influence be,
Use it in the world for thee.

*5 Bless our union: through its members
World-wide may thy work be wrought;
Through the homes in every nation
Many to thy fold be brought;
Fathers, mothers, children be
Led to live true life for thee. Amen.

* *This verse is suitable for meetings of the Mothers' Union.*

343

Christian Burke, 1904.

'Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.' Eph. vi. 4.

LORD of life and King of glory,
Who didst deign a child to be,
Cradled on a mother's bosom,
Throned upon a mother's knee:
For the children thou hast given
We must answer unto thee.

2 Since the day the blessèd Mother
Thee, the world's Redeemer, bore,
Thou hast crowned us with an honour
Women never knew before;
And that we may bear it meetly
We must seek thine aid the more.

3 Grant us, then, pure hearts and patient,
That in all we do or say
Little souls our deeds may copy,
And be never led astray;
Little feet our steps may follow
In a safe and narrow way.

4 When our growing sons and daughters
Look on life with eager eyes,
Grant us then a deeper insight
And new powers of sacrifice:
Hope to trust them, faith to guide them,
Love that nothing good denies.

5 May we keep our holy calling
Stainless in its fair renown,
That when all the work is over
And we lay the burden down,
Then the children thou hast given
Still may be our joy and crown. Amen.

FOR ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

344 *Canon Edward A. Welch*, 1908.

'Look down from thy holy habitation, . . . and bless thy people.' Deut. xxvi. 15.

LORD, behold us with thy favour
As we bless thy Holy Name
For thy grace and love and mercy,
Still from age to age the same.
We are sinful, thou art Holy,
Thou in heaven, on earth are we;
Yet we dare to come before thee,
Dare to lift our hearts to thee.

2 Praise we render for the blessings,
All unnumbered as the sand,
From thy treasury exhaustless
Showered by thy gracious hand;
For the FATHER's love creating,
For the SAVIOUR's cleansing tide,
For the SPIRIT's grace we praise thee,
Made, redeemed, and sanctified.

*3 For the font's renewing waters,
For the altar's Feast Divine,
Ministered in changeless order
By the sacred threefold line;
For thy SPIRIT's Holy Unction,
For the Word's prophetic page,
For thy Church's creeds undying,
Her enduring heritage;

*4 For the memories we treasure,
That to this our Home belong,
Hours of sweet and high communion,
Matin prayer and Evensong;

For the lessons thou hast taught us—
Taught by joy and taught by pain—
LORD, for all thy countless blessings,
We uplift our festal strain.

5 Thankfully our hearts remember
Whom our eyes no longer see,
Knowing, though the veil conceals them,
They with us are one in thee;—
Ever one, for One our FATHER,
One our Church, and one our creed,—
They who worshipped here before us,
One with us their latest seed.

6 Grant us thine own Royal Priesthood,
LORD, like them to work, to pray,
In thy world and in thy temple
Sacrificing day by day;
Then—our earthly worship ended,
And our earthly labour done,—
Bid us worship, bid us labour
There, where work and prayer are one.
Amen.

345

Canon Edward A. Welch, 1918.

'For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.' Ps. v. 12.

O FATHER, on our festal day,
Behold us with thy blessing,
As year by year thy children come
Thy love and truth confessing;
We stand rejoicing in thy House
With thankful hearts and lowly,
And dare to raise our songs of praise
To thee, O LORD most holy.

2 For love by which through all our days
Our lives have been surrounded,
For all the goodness of thy Hand
Which hath to us abounded,

For home, and health, and happiness,
For all the joy of living,
To thee we sing, our LORD and King,
And offer our thanksgiving.

3 But chiefly for the boundless Love
That brought to us salvation,
We bow before thy mighty throne
In humble adoration;
And to thine honour, GOD most high,
We hymn the wondrous story
Of him who came on earth to die,
And rose, and reigns in glory.

For a School Anniversary.

*4 O look with favour on our school,
And bless thy children's learning;
Give those who teach kind hearts and wise,
To heavenly wisdom turning.
O prosper thou their handiwork,
And all their high endeavour,
And grant them, LORD, for their reward
Life in thy home for ever. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
466 We love the place.
618 Glorious things.

DEDICATION OF A CHURCH

346 *From the Latin, c. 9th century.*
Tr. (1884) *M. J. Blacker.*

'This is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.' Gen. xxviii. 17.

Christi cunctorum Dominator alme.

ONLY-BEGOTTEN, Word of GOD eternal,
LORD of Creation, merciful and mighty,
List to thy servants, when their tuneful voices
Rise to thy presence.

2 Thus in our solemn Feast of Dedication,
Graced with returning rites of due devotion,
Ever thy children, year by year rejoicing,
Chant in thy temple.

3 Here in our sickness healing grace aboundeth,
Light in our blindness, in our toil refreshment;
Sin is forgiven, hope o'er fear prevaileth,
Joy over sorrow.

4 Hallowed this dwelling where the LORD abideth,
This is none other than the gate of heaven;
Strangers and pilgrims, seeking homes eternal,
Pass through its portals.

5 LORD, we beseech thee, as we throng thy temple,
By thy past blessings, by thy present bounty,
Smile on thy children, and with tender mercy
Hear our petitions.

6 GOD in THREE Persons, FATHER everlasting,
SON co-eternal, ever-blessèd SPIRIT,
Thine be the glory, praise, and adoration,
Now and for ever. Amen.

347

Tr. (1851) *from the Latin* (*7th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.' Gal. iv. 26.

Urbs beata Jerusalem.

BLESSÈD city, heavenly Salem,
Vision dear of peace and love,
Who of living stones art builded
In the height of heaven above,
And, with angel-hosts encircled,
As a bride dost earthward move;

2 From celestial realms descending,
Bridal glory round thee shed,
Meet for him whose love espoused thee,
To thy LORD shalt thou be led;
All thy streets and all thy bulwarks
Of pure gold are fashionèd.

3 Bright thy gates of pearl are shining,
They are open evermore;
And by virtue of his merits
Thither faithful souls do soar,
Who for CHRIST's dear Name in this world
Pain and tribulation bore.

4 Many a blow and biting sculpture
Polished well those stones elect,
In their places now compacted
By the heavenly Architect,
Who therewith hath willed for ever
That his palace should be decked.

5 Laud and honour to the FATHER,
Laud and honour to the SON,
Laud and honour to the SPIRIT,
Ever THREE, and ever ONE,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

348

Tr. (1851) *from the Latin* (*7th cent.*)
by Rev. John M. Neale.

'Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone.'
Eph. ii. 20.

Angularis fundamentum.

CHRIST is made the sure Foundation,
CHRIST the Head and Corner-stone,
Chosen of the LORD, and precious,
Binding all the Church in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
And her confidence alone.

2 All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved of GOD on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody,
GOD the ONE in THREE adoring
In glad hymns eternally.

3 To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O LORD of hosts, to-day;
With thy wonted loving-kindness
Hear thy servants as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls alway.

4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
What they ask of thee to gain,
What they gain from thee for ever
With the blessèd to retain,
And hereafter in thy glory
Evermore with thee to reign.

5 Laud and honour to the FATHER,
Laud and honour to the SON,
Laud and honour to the SPIRIT,
Ever THREE, and ever ONE,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

350 All people that on earth do.
394 Angel-voices, ever singing.
420 Lord of the worlds above.
460 Lo, God is here: let us adore.
466 We love the place, O God.
617 Pleasant are thy courts above.
627 Jerusalem the golden.

CONSECRATION OF A CHURCHYARD

395 Come, let us join our cheerful.
626 Brief life is here our portion.

FOR THE PARISH

349 *Bishop W. Walsham How*, 1871.

'Now the God of peace, . . . make you perfect in every good work to do his will.' Heb. xiii. 20, 21.

BOWED low in supplication,
We come, O LORD, to thee;
Thy grace alone can save us,
To thee alone we flee.
We come for this our parish,
Thy mercy to implore;
On church, and homes, and people,
O LORD, thy blessing pour.

2 Blot out our sins, O FATHER,
Forgive the guilty past;
Loose from their chains the captives
Whom Satan holdeth fast.
Wake up the slumbering conscience
To listen to thy call;
The weak and wavering strengthen,
And raise up them that fall.

3 O bless and keep the faithful,
That they may stand secure;
Unharmed by Satan's malice,
And steadfast, meek, and pure.
With heavenly Food supported,
O be they firm and strong,
To follow all things holy,
To flee from all things wrong.

4 LORD, banish strife and variance,
Knit sundered hearts in one;
And bind us all together
In love to thy dear SON.

O FATHER, bless our parish,
That all may grow in grace,
And love thee daily better,
Until we see thy face. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
264 O thou who makest souls to.

GENERAL HYMNS

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Paraphrase of PSALM 100

350 *Rev. William Kethe*, 1561.

'Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.' Ps. c. 1.

ALL people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the LORD with cheerful voice;
Him gladly serve, his praise forth tell,
Come ye before him, and rejoice.

2 The LORD, ye know, is GOD indeed;
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

3 O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

4 For why, the LORD our GOD is good;
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

5 To FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
The GOD whom heaven and earth adore,
From men and from the angel-host
Be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 100

351 *Rev. Isaac Watts*, 1707.

'The Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.' Ps. c. 5.

BEFORE JEHOVAH'S aweful throne,
Ye nations, bow with sacred joy;
Know that the LORD is GOD alone;
He can create, and he destroy.

2 His sovereign power, without our aid,
Made us of clay, and formed us men;
And when like wand'ring sheep we strayed,
He brought us to his fold again.

3 We'll crowd thy gates with thankful songs;
High as the heavens our voices raise;
And earth, with her ten thousand tongues,
Shall fill thy courts with sounding praise.

4 Wide as the world is thy command;
Vast as eternity thy love;
Firm as a rock thy truth shall stand,
When rolling years shall cease to move.
Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 117

352 *Rev. Isaac Watts*, 1719.

'O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.' Ps. cxvii. 1.

FROM all that dwell below the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung
Through every land, by every tongue.

2 Eternal are thy mercies, LORD,
Eternal truth attends thy word:
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
Till suns shall rise and set no more. Amen.

353

Rev. H. F. Lyte, 1834.

'Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.' Ps. ciii. 1.

PRAISE, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore his praises sing;
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Praise the everlasting King.

2 Praise him for his grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him, still the same for ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Glorious in his faithfulness.

3 Father-like he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes:
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Widely as his mercy flows.

4 Angels, help us to adore him,
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him;
Dwellers all in time and space,
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Praise with us the God of grace. Amen.

354

Rev. Edward Perronet, 1785.

'King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.' Rev. xix. 16.

ALL hail the power of Jesus' Name;
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown him Lord of all.

2 Crown him, ye martyrs of your GOD,
Who from his altar call;
Praise him whose blood-stained path ye trod,
And crown him LORD of all.

3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him LORD of all.

4 Hail him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David LORD did call,
The GOD Incarnate, Man Divine,
And crown him LORD of all.

5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,
And crown him LORD of all.

6 Let every tribe and every tongue
Before him prostrate fall,
Join in the universal song,
And crown him LORD of all. Amen.

355

Tate and Brady, 1696.

'Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice.'
Phil. iv. 4.

THROUGH all the changing scenes of life,
In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my GOD shall still
My heart and tongue employ.

2 O magnify the LORD with me,
With me exalt his Name;
When in distress to him I called,
He to my rescue came.

3 The hosts of GOD encamp around
The dwellings of the just;
Deliverance he affords to all
Who on his succour trust.

4 O make but trial of his love,
Experience will decide
How blest are they, and only they
Who in his truth confide.

5 Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
Have nothing else to fear;
Make you his service your delight,
Your wants shall be his care.

6 To FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

356

Bishop R. Heber, 1811.

'Until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts.'
2 Pet. i. 19.

BRIGHTEST and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2 Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining,
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

3 Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
Odours of Edom and offerings divine?
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest and gold from the mine?

4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favour secure;
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Dearer to GOD are the prayers of the poor.

5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.
Amen.

357

Caroline M. Noel, 1870.

'God . . . hath . . . given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow.' Phil. ii. 9, 10.

AT the Name of JESUS
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the FATHER's pleasure
We should call him LORD,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty WORD.

2 At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.

3 Humbled for a season,
To receive a Name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,

Faithfully he bore it,
  Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious,
  When from death he passed:

4 Bore it up triumphant
  With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures
  To the central height;
To the throne of Godhead,
  To the FATHER's breast,
Filled it with the glory
  Of that perfect rest.

5 Name him, brothers, name him,
  With love as strong as death,
But with awe and wonder,
  And with bated breath;
He is GOD the SAVIOUR,
  He is CHRIST the LORD,
Ever to be worshipped,
  Trusted, and adored.

*6 In your hearts enthrone him;
  There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
  All that is not true:
Crown him as your Captain
  In temptation's hour;
Let his will enfold you
  In its light and power.

*7 Brothers, this LORD JESUS
  Shall return again,
With his FATHER's glory,
  With his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
  Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
  King of glory now. Amen.

358

Tr. (1837) *from the Latin of* 8*th cent.*
by Rev. John Chandler.

'Christ himself being the chief corner stone.' Eph. ii. 20.

Angularis fundamentum.

CHRIST is our Corner-stone,
On him alone we build;
With his true saints alone
The courts of heaven are filled:
On his great love
Our hopes we place
Of present grace
And joys above.

2 O then with hymns of praise
These hallowed courts shall ring;
Our voices we will raise
The THREE in ONE to sing;
And thus proclaim
In joyful song
Both loud and long
That glorious Name.

3 Here, gracious GOD, do thou
For evermore draw nigh;
Accept each faithful vow,
And mark each suppliant sigh:
In copious shower
On all who pray,
Each holy day
Thy blessings pour.

4 Here may we gain from heaven
The grace which we implore;
And may that grace, once given,
Be with us evermore,
Until that day
When all the blest
To endless rest
Are called away. Amen.

359

Rev. Job Hupton, 1805; *and*
Rev. J. M. Neale, 1863.

'Praise ye the Lord from the heavens: praise him in the heights.' Ps. cxlviii. 1.

COME, ye faithful, raise the anthem,
Cleave the skies with shouts of praise;
Sing to him who found the ransom,
Ancient of eternal days,
GOD of GOD, the WORD Incarnate,
Whom the heaven of heaven obeys.

2 Ere he raised the lofty mountains,
Formed the seas, or built the sky,
Love eternal, free, and boundless,
Moved the LORD of Life to die,
Fore-ordained the Prince of princes
For the throne of Calvary.

3 There, for us and our redemption,
See him all his life-blood pour,
There he wins our full salvation,
Dies that we may die no more;
Then, arising, lives for ever,
Reigning where he was before.

*4 High on yon celestial mountains
Stands his gem-built throne, all bright,
Midst unending alleluias
Bursting from the sons of light;
Sion's people tell his praises,
Victor after hard-won fight.

*5 Yet this earth he still remembers,
Still by him the flock are fed;
Yea, he gives them Food immortal,
Gives himself, the living Bread;
Leads them where the precious fountain
From the smitten rock is shed.

6 Trust him then, ye fainting pilgrims;
Who shall pluck you from his hand?
Pledged he stands for your salvation,
Pledged to give the promised land,
Where among the ransomed nations
Ye around his throne shall stand.

*7 Laud and honour to the FATHER,
Laud and honour to the SON,
Laud and honour to the SPIRIT,
Ever THREE and ever ONE,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

Based on PSALM 104

360

Sir Robert Grant, 1833.

'Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty.' Ps. civ. 1.

O WORSHIP the King,
All glorious above;
O gratefully sing
His power and his love;
Our Shield and Defender,
The Ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendour,
And girded with praise.

2 O tell of his might,
O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light,
Whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath
The deep thunder-clouds form,
And dark in his path
On the wings of the storm.

3 The earth, with its store
Of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power
Hath founded of old,

Hath stablished it fast
By a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast,
Like a mantle, the sea.

4 Thy bountiful care
What tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air,
It shines in the light;
It streams from the hills,
It descends to the plain,
And sweetly distils
In the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust,
And feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust,
Nor find thee to fail:
Thy mercies how tender,
How firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender,
Redeemer, and Friend.

6 O measureless Might,
Ineffable Love,
While angels delight
To hymn thee above,
The humbler creation,
Though feeble their lays,
With true adoration
Shall sing to thy praise. Amen.

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Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719.

'I bring you good tidings of great joy.' St. Luke ii. 10.

JOY to the world! The LORD is come:
Let earth receive her King,
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing.

2 Joy to the earth! The SAVIOUR reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy.

3 No more let sin and sorrow grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground:
He comes to make his blessings flow
Far as the curse is found.

4 He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love. Amen.

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Dean E. H. Plumptre, 1865.

'Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children: Let them praise the name of the Lord.' Ps. cxlviii. 12, 13.

REJOICE, ye pure in heart,
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
Your festal banner wave on high,
The Cross of CHRIST your King.

2 Bright youth and snow-crowned age,
Strong men and maidens meek,
Raise high your free exulting song,
GOD's wondrous praises speak.

3 With all the angel choirs,
With all the saints on earth,
Pour out the strains of joy and bliss,
True rapture, noblest mirth.

4 Your clear hosannas raise,
And alleluias loud;
Whilst answering echoes upward float,
Like wreaths of incense cloud.

5 With voice as full and strong
As ocean's surging praise,
Send forth the hymns our fathers loved,
The psalms of ancient days.

*6 Yes on, through life's long path,
Still chanting as ye go,
From youth to age, by night and day,
In gladness and in woe.

*7 Still lift your standard high,
Still march in firm array,
As warriors through the darkness toil
Till dawns the golden day.

*8 At last the march shall end,
The wearied ones shall rest,
The pilgrims find their FATHER's home,
Jerusalem the blest.

*9 Then on, ye pure in heart,
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
Your festal banner wave on high,
The Cross of CHRIST your King.

10 Praise him who reigns on high,
The LORD whom we adore,
The FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
One GOD for evermore. Amen.

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Rev. W. J. Sparrow Simpson, 1887.

'Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive . . . honour, and glory, and blessing.' Rev. v. 12.

I ADORE thee, I adore thee,
Glorious ere the world began;
Yet more wonderful thou shinest,
Though divine, yet still divinest
In thy dying love for man.

2 I adore thee, I adore thee,
Thankful at thy feet to be;
I have heard thine accent thrilling,
LORD, I come, for thou art willing
Me to pardon, even me.

3 I adore thee, I adore thee,
Born of woman, yet divine!
With thy SPIRIT, LORD, endue me,
In thine image pure renew me,
Let me evermore be thine. Amen.

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Tr. (1854) *from the German* (*c.* 1800) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'Bless the Lord, O my soul.' Ps. ciii. 1.

Beim frühen Morgenlicht.

WHEN morning gilds the skies,
My heart awaking cries,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
Alike at work and prayer
To JESUS I repair;
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!

2 Whene'er the sweet church bell
Peals over hill and dell,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
O hark to what it sings,
As joyously it rings,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!

*3 When sleep her balm denies,
My silent spirit sighs,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
When evil thoughts molest,
With this I shield my breast,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!

*4 Does sadness fill my mind?
A solace here I find,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!

5 In heaven's eternal bliss
The loveliest strain is this,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
The powers of darkness fear
When this sweet chant they hear,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!

6 To GOD, the WORD, on high,
The hosts of angels cry,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
Let mortals, too, upraise
Their voice in hymns of praise;
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!

7 Let earth's wide circle round
In joyful notes resound,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
Let air, and sea, and sky,
From depth to height reply,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!

8 Be this, while life is mine,
My canticle divine,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised!
Be this the eternal song
Through all the ages on,
May JESUS CHRIST be praised! Amen.

365 *Rev. Godfrey Thring*, 1862.

'Reaching forth unto those things which are before.'
Phil. iii. 13.

SAVIOUR, blessèd SAVIOUR,
Listen while we sing,
Hearts and voices raising
Praises to our King.

All we have we offer;
All we hope to be;
Body, soul, and spirit,
All we yield to thee.

2 Nearer, ever nearer,
CHRIST, we draw to thee,
Deep in adoration
Bending low the knee:
Thou for our redemption
Cam'st on earth to die;
Thou, that we might follow,
Hast gone up on high.

3 Great and ever greater
Are thy mercies here;
True and everlasting
Are the glories there,
Where no pain nor sorrow,
Toil nor care is known,
Where the angel legions
Circle round thy throne.

*4 Clearer still and clearer
Dawns the light from heaven,
In our sadness bringing
News of sins forgiven;
Life has lost its shadows,
Pure the light within;
Thou hast shed thy radiance
On a world of sin.

5 Onward, ever onward,
Journeying o'er the road
Worn by saints before us,
Journeying on to GOD;
Leaving all behind us,
May we hasten on,
Backward never looking
Till the prize is won.

6 Higher then and higher
Bear the ransomed soul,
Earthly toils forgotten,
SAVIOUR, to its goal;
Where, in joys unthought of,
Saints with angels sing,
Never weary raising
Praises to their King. Amen.

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Frances Ridley Havergal, 1870.

'God . . . hath . . . given him a name which is above every name.' Phil. ii. 9.

O SAVIOUR, precious SAVIOUR,
Whom yet unseen we love,
O Name of might and favour,
All other names above!
We worship thee, we bless thee,
To thee alone we sing;
We praise thee, and confess thee
Our holy LORD and King.

2 O Bringer of salvation,
Who wondrously hast wrought,
Thyself the revelation
Of love beyond our thought;
We worship thee, we bless thee,
To thee alone we sing;
We praise thee, and confess thee
Our gracious LORD and King.

3 In thee all fulness dwelleth,
All grace and power divine;
The glory that excelleth,
O SON of GOD, is thine;
We worship thee, we bless thee,
To thee alone we sing;
We praise thee, and confess thee
Our glorious LORD and King.

4 O grant the consummation
Of this our song above
In endless adoration,
And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless thee
Where perfect praises ring,
And evermore confess thee
Our SAVIOUR and our King. Amen.

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Matthew Bridges, 1851.

'And on his head were many crowns.' Rev. xix. 12.

CROWN him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Virgin's Son,
The GOD Incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn:
The Shiloh long foretold,
The Branch of Jesse's Stem;
The Shepherd King of Israel's fold,
The Babe of Bethlehem.

3 Crown him the LORD of love;
Behold his hands and side,
Those wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

4 Crown him the LORD of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
And all be prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his piercèd feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

5 Crown him the LORD of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime:
All hail! Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail,
Throughout eternity. Amen.

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Bishop W. C. Doane, 1886.

'The Ancient of days did sit . . . and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.' Dan. vii. 9, 10.

ANCIENT of days, who sittest throned in glory;
To thee all knees are bent, all voices pray;
Thy love has blest the wide world's wondrous story,
With light and life since Eden's dawning day.

2 O Holy FATHER, who hast led thy children
In all the ages, with the fire and cloud,
Through seas, dry-shod; through weary wastes bewildering;
To thee, in reverent love, our hearts are bowed.

3 O Holy JESUS, Prince of Peace and SAVIOUR,
To thee we owe the peace that still prevails,
Stilling the rude wills of men's wild behaviour,
And calming passion's fierce and stormy gales.

4 O HOLY GHOST, the LORD and the Life-giver,
Thine is the quickening power that gives increase;
From thee have flowed, as from a pleasant river,
Our plenty, wealth, prosperity, and peace.

5 O Triune GOD, with heart and voice adoring,
Praise we the goodness that doth crown our days;
Pray we that thou wilt hear us, still imploring
Thy love and favour, kept to us always.
Amen.

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Bishop R. Mant, 1837.

'One cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy.'
Isa. vi. 3.

BRIGHT the vision that delighted
Once the sight of Judah's seer;
Sweet the countless tongues united
To entrance the prophet's ear.

2 Round the LORD in glory seated
Cherubim and seraphim
Filled his temple, and repeated
Each to each the alternate hymn:

3 'LORD, thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fulness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy, LORD.'

4 Heaven is still with glory ringing,
Earth takes up the angels' cry,
'Holy, Holy, Holy,'—singing,
'LORD of hosts, the LORD most high.'

5 With his seraph train before him,
With his holy Church below,
Thus unite we to adore him,
Bid we thus our anthem flow:

6 'LORD, thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fulness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, Holy, Holy, LORD.' Amen.

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Rev. F. W. Faber, 1849.

'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God.' St. Matt. xxii. 37.

MY GOD, how wonderful thou art,
Thy majesty how bright!
How beautiful thy mercy-seat,
In depths of burning light!

2 How dread are thine eternal years,
O everlasting LORD!
By prostrate spirits day and night
Incessantly adored.

3 How wonderful, how beautiful,
The sight of thee must be,
Thine endless wisdom, boundless power,
And aweful purity.

4 O how I fear thee, living GOD,
With deepest, tenderest fears!
And worship thee with trembling hope
And penitential tears.

5 Yet I may love thee, too, O LORD,
Almighty as thou art,
For thou hast stooped to ask of me
The love of my poor heart.

6 No earthly father loves like thee,
No mother, e'er so mild,
Bears and forbears as thou hast done
With me, thy sinful child.

7 FATHER of JESUS, love's reward,
What rapture will it be,
Prostrate before thy throne to lie,
And gaze and gaze on thee! Amen.

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Thomas Olivers, 1770

'He is thy praise, and he is thy God.' Deut. x. 21.

THE GOD of Abraham praise
Who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
And GOD of love:
JEHOVAH, great I Am,
By earth and heaven confest;
I bow and bless the sacred Name
For ever blest.

2 The GOD of Abraham praise,
At whose supreme command
From earth I rise, and seek the joys
At his right hand:
I all on earth forsake,
Its wisdom, fame, and power;
And him my only portion make,
My shield and tower.

*3 The goodly land I see,
With peace and plenty blest;
A land of sacred liberty
And endless rest;
There milk and honey flow,
And oil and wine abound,
And trees of life for ever grow,
With mercy crowned.

*4 There dwells the LORD, our King,
The LORD our Righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
The Prince of Peace:
On Sion's sacred height
His kingdom he maintains,
And glorious with his saints in light
For ever reigns.

5 Before the SAVIOUR's face
The ransomed nations bow,
O'erwhelmed at his almighty grace
For ever knew;
He shows his prints of love,—
They kindle to a flame!
And sound through all the worlds above
'Worthy the Lamb.'

6 The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to GOD on high;
'Hail! FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,'
They ever cry:
Hail, Abraham's GOD and mine;
I join the heavenly lays;
All might and majesty are thine,
And endless praise! Amen.

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Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1875.

'Praise ye the Lord.' Ps. cxxxv. 1.

O PRAISE ye the LORD!
Praise him in the height;
Rejoice in his Word,
Ye angels of light;
Ye heavens, adore him
By whom ye were made,
And worship before him,
In brightness arrayed.

2 O praise ye the LORD!
Praise him upon earth,
In tuneful accord,
Ye sons of new birth;
Praise him who hath brought you
His grace from above,
Praise him who hath taught you
To sing of his love.

3 O praise ye the LORD,
All things that give sound;
Each jubilant chord,
Re-echo around;
Loud organs, his glory
Forth tell in deep tone,
And sweet harp, the story
Of what he hath done.

4 O praise ye the LORD!
Thanksgiving and song
To him be outpoured
All ages along:
For love in creation,
For heaven restored,
For grace of salvation
O praise ye the LORD! Amen.

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Rev. Charles Wesley, 1744.

'Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching.' St. Luke xii. 37.

YE servants of GOD,
Your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad
His wonderful Name:
The Name all-victorious
Of JESUS extol;
His kingdom is glorious,
And rules over all.

2 GOD ruleth on high,
Almighty to save;
And still he is nigh;
His presence we have.
The great congregation
His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation
To JESUS our King.

3 Salvation to GOD
Who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud,
And honour the SON.
The praises of JESUS
The angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces,
And worship the Lamb.

4 Then let us adore,
And give him his right;
All glory, and power,
All wisdom, and might;
All honour and blessing,
With angels above,
And thanks never ceasing,
And infinite love. Amen.

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Tate and Brady, 1696.

'Let them praise the name of the Lord: for he commanded, and they were created.' Ps. cxlviii. 5.

YE boundless realms of joy,
Exalt your Maker's fame,
His praise your song employ
Above the starry frame;
Your voices raise,
Ye cherubim
And seraphim,
To sing his praise.

2 Thou moon, that rul'st the night,
And sun, that guid'st the day,
Ye glittering stars of light,
To him your homage pay.
His praise declare,
Ye heavens above,
And clouds that move
In liquid air.

3 Let them adore the LORD,
And praise his holy Name,
By whose almighty word
They all from nothing came;
And all shall last
From changes free;
His firm decree
Stands ever fast.

4 United zeal be shown
His wondrous fame to raise,
Whose glorious Name alone
Deserves our endless praise.
Earth's utmost ends
His power obey:
His glorious sway
The sky transcends. Amen.

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Rev. Richard Baxter, 1681

'Praise ye the Lord from the heavens: . . . Praise the Lord from the earth.' Ps. cxlviii. 1, 7.

YE holy angels bright,
Who wait at GOD's right hand,
Or through the realms of light
Fly at your LORD's command,
Assist our song,
Or else the theme
Too high doth seem
For mortal tongue.

2 Ye blessèd souls at rest,
Who ran this earthly race,
And now, from sin released,
Behold your SAVIOUR's face,
His praises sound,
As in his sight
With sweet delight
Ye do abound.

3 Ye saints, who toil below,
Adore your heavenly King,
And onward as ye go
Some joyful anthem sing;
Take what he gives,
And praise him still,
Through good and ill,
Who ever lives!

4 My soul, bear thou thy part,
Triumph in GOD above,
And with a well-tuned heart
Sing thou the songs of love!
Let all thy days
Till life shall end,
Whate'er he send,
Be filled with praise! Amen.

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Helen Thoburn and Margaret Wilson, 1913.

'Every good gift and every perfect gift . . . cometh down from the Father of lights.' James i. 17.

FATHER of lights, in whom there is no shadow,
Giver of every good and perfect gift,
With one accord we seek thy holy presence,
Gladly our hearts to thee in praise we lift.

2 Glad for the cause that binds our lives together,
Through thee united, worshipping as one;
Glad for the crowning gift that thou hast given,
Sending, to light the world, thine only SON.

3 Thou art the CHRIST, to thee we own allegiance;
May true devotion sweep from sea to sea,
Even as we, the gift from thee receiving,
Joyfully minister that gift for thee.

4 Light of the world, through whom we know the
FATHER,
Pour out upon us thine abiding love,
That we may know its depth and height and
splendour,
That heaven may come to earth from heaven
above. Amen.

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Rev. Charles Wesley, 1740.

'I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart.'
Ps. ix. 1.

O FOR a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my GOD and King,
The triumphs of his grace!

2 JESUS—the Name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

3 He speaks—and, listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive,
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

4 Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your SAVIOUR come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

5 My gracious Master and my GOD,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of thy Name. Amen.

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Rev. H. F. Lyte, 1834.

'Shew us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation . . . and our land shall yield her increase.' Ps. lxxxv. 7, 12.

GOD of mercy, GOD of grace,
Show the brightness of thy face;
Shine upon us, SAVIOUR, shine,
Fill thy Church with light divine;
And thy saving health extend
Unto earth's remotest end.

2 Let the people praise thee, LORD;
Be by all that live adored;
Let the nations shout and sing
Glory to their SAVIOUR King;
At thy feet their tribute pay,
And thy holy will obey.

3 Let the people praise thee, LORD;
Earth shall then her fruits afford;
GOD to man his blessing give,
Man to GOD devoted live;
All below, and all above,
One in joy, and light, and love. Amen.

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Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719.

'Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. . . . From everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.' Ps. xc. 1, 2.

O GOD, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!

2 Beneath the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art GOD,
To endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

*5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

6 O GOD, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come;
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home! Amen.

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John Bakewell, 1757.

'Who . . . when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.' Heb. i. 3.

HAIL, thou once despisèd JESUS,
Hail, thou Galilean King:
Thou didst suffer to redeem us,
Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, thou universal SAVIOUR,
Bearer of our sin and shame,
By thy merits we find favour;
Life is given through thy Name.

2 Paschal Lamb, by GOD appointed,
All our sins on thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed,
Thou hast full atonement made.

All thy people are forgiven,
Through the virtue of thy Blood:
Opened is the gate of heaven,
Peace is made 'twixt man and God.

3 JESU, hail! enthroned in glory,
There for ever to abide;
All the heavenly hosts adore thee,
Seated at thy FATHER's side:
Worship, honour, power, and blessing
Thou art worthy to receive:
Loudest praises, without ceasing,
Meet it is for us to give. Amen.

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Joseph Addison, 1712.

'The multitude of thy tender mercies.' Ps. lxix. 16.

WHEN all thy mercies, O my GOD,
My rising soul surveys,
Transported with the view, I'm lost
In wonder, love, and praise.

2 Unnumbered comforts to my soul
Thy tender care bestowed,
Before my infant heart conceived
From whom those comforts flowed.

3 Ten thousand thousand precious gifts
My daily thanks employ;
Nor is the least a cheerful heart,
That tastes those gifts with joy.

4 Through every period of my life
Thy goodness I'll pursue;
And after death, in distant worlds,
The glorious theme renew.

5 Through all eternity to thee
A joyful song I'll raise;
For O! eternity's too short
To utter all thy praise. Amen.

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Tate and Brady, 1696.

'As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God.' Ps. xlii. 1, 2.

AS pants the hart for cooling streams
When heated in the chase,
So longs my soul, O GOD, for thee,
And thy refreshing grace.

2 For thee, my GOD, the living GOD,
My thirsty soul doth pine:
O when shall I behold thy face,
Thou Majesty divine?

3 Why restless, why cast down, my soul?
Hope still, and thou shalt sing
The praise of him who is thy GOD,
Thy health's eternal spring.

4 To FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.

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Bishop W. Walsham How, 1867.

'The Word was God. . . . The Word was made flesh.' St. John i. 1, 14.

WHO is this so weak and helpless,
Child of lowly Hebrew maid,
Rudely in a stable sheltered,
Coldly in a manger laid?
'Tis the LORD of all creation,
Who this wondrous path hath trod;
He is GOD from everlasting,
And to everlasting GOD.

2 Who is this—a Man of sorrows,
Walking sadly life's hard way,
Homeless, weary, sighing, weeping
Over sin and Satan's sway?
'Tis our GOD, our glorious SAVIOUR,
Who above the starry sky
Now for us a place prepareth,
Where no tear can dim the eye.

3 Who is this—behold him shedding
Drops of blood upon the ground?
Who is this—despised, rejected,
Mocked, insulted, beaten, bound?
'Tis our GOD, who gifts and graces
On his Church now poureth down;
Who shall smite in righteous judgment
All his foes beneath his throne.

4 Who is this that hangeth dying,
While the rude world scoffs and scorns;
Numbered with the malefactors,
Torn with nails, and crowned with thorns?
'Tis the GOD who ever liveth
'Mid the shining ones on high,
In the glorious golden city
Reigning everlastingly. Amen.

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Cardinal J. H. Newman, 1866.

'The second man is the Lord from heaven.' 1 Cor. xv. 47.

PRAISE to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways.

2 O loving wisdom of our GOD!
When all was sin and shame,
A second Adam to the fight
And to the rescue came.

3 O wisest love! that flesh and blood,
Which did in Adam fail,
Should strive afresh against the foe,
Should strive and should prevail;

4 And that a higher gift than grace
Should flesh and blood refine,
God's presence and his very Self,
And essence all-divine.

5 O generous love! that he who smote
In Man for man the foe,
The double agony in Man
For man should undergo,

6 And in the garden secretly,
And on the Cross on high,
Should teach his brethren, and inspire
To suffer and to die.

7 Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise;
In all his words most wonderful,
Most sure in all his ways. Amen.

Based on Psalm 148

385 *Anon., Foundling Hospital Collection*, 1801.

'Praise ye the Lord from the heavens: praise him in the heights.' Ps. cxlviii. 1.

PRAISE the Lord! ye heavens, adore him,
Praise him, angels, in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before him,
Praise him, all ye stars and light:
Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken,
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
Laws, which never shall be broken,
For their guidance he hath made.

2 Praise the LORD! for he is glorious;
Never shall his promise fail;
GOD hath made his saints victorious,
Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the GOD of our salvation;
Hosts on high, his power proclaim;
Heaven and earth, and all creation,
Laud and magnify his Name! Amen.

386

Josiah Conder, 1824.

'The Lord reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad thereof.' Ps. xcvii. 1.

THE LORD is King! lift up thy voice,
O earth; and all ye heavens, rejoice;
From world to world one song shall ring:
The LORD omnipotent is King.

2 The LORD is King! who then shall dare
Resist his will, distrust his care,
Or murmur at his wise decrees,
Or doubt his royal promises?

3 The LORD is King! child of the dust,
The Judge of all the earth is just;
Holy and true are all his ways:
Let every creature speak his praise.

4 He reigns! ye saints, exalt your strains;
Your GOD is King, your FATHER reigns;
And he is at the FATHER's side,
The Man of love, the Crucified.

5 Come, make your wants, your burdens known,
He will present them at the throne;
And angel-bands are waiting there
His messages of love to bear.

6 The LORD is King! lift up thy voice,
O earth; and all ye heavens, rejoice;
From world to world one song shall ring:
The LORD omnipotent is King. Amen.

387

James Montgomery, 1843.

'Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.' Ps. xxiv. 7.

LIFT up your heads, ye gates of brass;
Ye bars of iron, yield;
And let the King of Glory pass;
The Cross is in the field.

2 That banner, brighter than the star
That leads the train of night,
Shines on the march, and guides from far
His servants to the fight.

3 A holy war those servants wage;
In that mysterious strife,
The powers of heaven and hell engage
For more than death or life.

4 Ye armies of the living GOD,
Sworn warriors of CHRIST's host,
Where hallowed footsteps never trod,
Take your appointed post.

*5 Though few and small and weak your bands,
Strong in your Captain's strength,
Go to the conquest of all lands:
All must be his at length.

*6 The spoils at his victorious feet
You shall rejoice to lay,
And lay yourselves as trophies meet,
In his great judgment day.

7 Then fear not, faint not, halt not now;
Quit you like men, be strong.
To CHRIST shall all the nations bow,
And sing the triumph song.

8 Uplifted are the gates of brass,
The bars of iron yield;
Behold the King of Glory pass;
The Cross hath won the field. Amen.

388

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719.

'The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.' Rev. xi. 15.

JESUS shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his Name.

3 Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

4 Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen. Amen.

389

Rev. Thomas Kelly, 1809.

'His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written.' Rev. xix. 12.

LOOK, ye saints! the sight is glorious!
See the Man of Sorrows now;
From the fight returned victorious,
Every knee to him shall bow;
Crown him! Crown him!
Crowns become the Victor's brow.

2 Crown the SAVIOUR! Angels, crown him!
Rich the trophies JESUS brings;
In the seat of power enthrone him,
While the vault of heaven rings;
Crown him! Crown him!
Crown the SAVIOUR King of kings!

3 Sinners in derision crowned him,
Mocking thus Messiah's claim;
Saints and angels throng around him,
Own his title, praise his Name;
Crown him! Crown him!
Spread abroad the Victor's fame.

4 Hark, those bursts of acclamation!
Hark, those loud triumphant chords!
JESUS takes the highest station;
O what joy the sight affords!
Crown him! Crown him!
King of kings and LORD of lords. Amen.

390

James Montgomery, 1825

'Stand up and bless the Lord your God for ever and ever.'
Neh. ix. 5.

STAND up, and bless the LORD,
Ye people of his choice;
Stand up, and bless the LORD your GOD,
With heart and soul and voice.

2 Though high above all praise,
Above all blessing high,
Who would not fear his holy Name,
And laud, and magnify?

3 O for the living flame,
From his own altar brought,
To touch our lips, our minds inspire,
And wing to heaven our thought.

4 GOD is our strength and song,
And his salvation ours;
Then be his love in CHRIST proclaimed
With all our ransomed powers.

5 Stand up, and bless the LORD;
The LORD your GOD adore;
Stand up, and bless his glorious Name,
Henceforth for evermore. Amen.

391

James Montgomery, 1819.

'All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord; and thy saints shall bless thee.' Ps. cxlv. 10.

SONGS of praise the angels sang,
Heaven with alleluias rang,
When creation was begun,
When GOD spake and it was done.

2 Songs of praise awoke the morn
When the Prince of Peace was born;
Songs of praise arose when he
Captive led captivity.

3 Heaven and earth must pass away,
Songs of praise shall crown that day;
GOD will make new heavens and earth,
Songs of praise shall hail their birth.

4 And will man alone be dumb
Till that glorious kingdom come?
No, the Church delights to raise
Psalms and hymns and songs of praise.

5 Saints below, with heart and voice,
Still in songs of praise rejoice;
Learning here, by faith and love,
Songs of praise to sing above.

6 Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
FATHER, unto thee we raise,
JESU, glory unto thee,
With the SPIRIT, ever be. Amen.

392

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1746.

'Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice.' Phil. iv. 4.

REJOICE, the LORD is King,
Your LORD and King adore;
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

2 JESUS, the SAVIOUR, reigns,
The GOD of truth and love:
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

3 His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our JESUS given:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

4 He sits at GOD's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice. Amen.

Based on PSALMS 103. 1–6 and 150

393 *Tr.* (1863) *C. Winkworth, and others, J. Neander* (1680).

'Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.' Rev. iv. 11.

Lobe den Herren.

PRAISE to the LORD, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the LORD, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen
How thy entreaties have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

3 Praise to the LORD, who doth prosper thy work, and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with his love he befriend thee.

4 Praise to the LORD, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,
Biddeth them cease,
Turneth their fury to peace,
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

5 Praise to the LORD, who, when darkness of sin is abounding,
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
Sheddeth his light,
Chaseth the horrors of night,
Saints with his mercy surrounding.

6 Praise to the LORD! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again:
Gladly for aye we adore him. Amen.

394

Rev. F. Pott, 1861.

'Thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.' Rev. iv. 11.

ANGEL-voices, ever singing
Round thy throne of light,
Angel-harps, for ever ringing,
Rest not day nor night;
Thousands only live to bless thee,
And confess thee,
LORD of might!

2 Yea, we know that thou rejoicest
O'er each work of thine;
Thou didst ears and hands and voices
For thy praise design;
Craftsman's art and music's measure
For thy pleasure
All combine.

3 In thy house, great GOD, we offer
Of thine own to thee;
And for thine acceptance proffer,
All unworthily,
Hearts and minds, and hands and voices,
In our choicest
Psalmody.

4 Honour, glory, might, and merit,
Thine shall ever be,
FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT,
Blessèd TRINITY!
Of the best that thou hast given,
Earth and heaven
Render thee. Amen.

395

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1707.

'I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne.' Rev. v. 11.

COME, let us join our cheerful songs
With angels round the throne;
Ten thousand thousand are their tongues,
But all their joys are one.

2 'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry,
'To be exalted thus';
'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply,
'For he was slain for us.'

3 JESUS is worthy to receive
Honour and power divine;
And blessings, more than we can give,
Be, LORD, for ever thine.

4 Let all creation join in one
To bless the sacred Name
Of him that sits upon the throne,
And to adore the Lamb. Amen.

396

James Montgomery, 1821.

'The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.' Rev. xi. 15.

HAIL to the LORD's Anointed,
Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
To set the captive free;
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

2 He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth;
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,
Spring in his path to birth:

Before him on the mountains
Shall peace, the herald, go;
From hill to vale the fountains
Of righteousness o'erflow.

3 Kings shall fall down before him,
And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore him,
His praise all people sing;
To him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend;
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

4 O'er every foe victorious,
He on his throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious,
All-blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His Name shall stand for ever,
His changeless Name of Love. Amen.

397

William Chatterton Dix, 1866.

'KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.' Rev. xix. 16.

ALLELUIA! sing to JESUS!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
JESUS out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by his Blood.

2 Alleluia! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how:

Though the cloud from sight received him,
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
Thou on earth our Food, our Stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
Flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia! King Eternal,
Thee the LORD of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth thy footstool, Heaven thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic Feast.

5 Alleluia! sing to JESUS!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
JESUS out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by his Blood. Amen.

398

Athelstan Riley, 1906.

'Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.'
Ps. cxlviii. 2.

YE watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

2 O higher than the Cherubim,
More glorious than the Seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the LORD,
Alleluia, Alleluia.

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
All Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluia, Alleluia.

4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
And GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.

399 *Rev. W. H. Draper* (*c.* 1910), *based on St. Francis of Assisi*, 1182–1226. *Founded on Ps.* 145.

'Let them praise the name of the Lord: for he commanded, and they were created.' Ps. cxlviii. 5.

ALL creatures of our GOD and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice:
O praise him.

3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy LORD to hear,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest man both warmth and light:
O praise him.

4 Dear mother earth, who day by day
Unfoldest blessings on our way,
O praise him, Alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
Let them his glory also show:
O praise him.

5 And all ye men of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise GOD and on him cast your care:
O praise him.

6 Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the FATHER, praise the SON,
And praise the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE:
O praise him. Amen.

400 *Rev. Sir H. W. Baker*, 1861.

'Praise the Lord; for the Lord is good: sing praises unto his name.' Ps. cxxxv. 3.

REJOICE to-day with one accord,
Sing out with exultation;
Rejoice and praise our mighty LORD,
Whose arm hath brought salvation;
His works of love proclaim
The greatness of his Name;
For he is GOD alone
Who hath his mercy shown;
Let all his saints adore him!

2 When in distress to him we cried,
He heard our sad complaining;
O trust in him, whate'er betide,
His love is all-sustaining;
Triumphant songs of praise
To him our hearts shall raise;
Now every voice shall say,
'O praise our GOD alway';
Let all his saints adore him! Amen.

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401

Rev. W. Chalmers Smith, 1867.

'Unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.' 1 Tim. i. 17.

IMMORTAL, invisible, GOD only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all life thou givest—to both great and small;
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—but nought changeth thee.

4 Great FATHER of Glory, pure FATHER of Light,
Thine Angels adore thee, all veiling their sight:
All laud we would render: O help us to see
'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.
Amen.

402

John Mason, 1683.

'Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad.'
Ps. xcvi. 11.

HOW shall I sing that Majesty
Which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
Thy throne, O GOD most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound
Thy praise; but who am I?

2 Thy brightness unto them appears,
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;
A sound of GOD comes to my ears,
But they behold thy face.
They sing because thou art their Sun;
LORD, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun
There alleluias be.

3 Enlighten with faith's light my heart,
Inflame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and bear a part
With that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,
With all my fire and light;
Yet when thou dost accept their gold,
LORD, treasure up my mite.

4 How great a being, LORD, is thine,
Which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
To sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
A sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore,
Thy place is everywhere. Amen.

403

Rev. Henry Van Dyke, 1908

'The joy of the Lord is your strength.' Neh. viii. 10.

JOYFUL, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

2 All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in thee.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

4 Mortals! join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Father-love is reigning o'er us,
Brother-love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music lifts us sunward,
In the triumph song of life. Amen.

404

Bishop R. Heber, 1827.

'If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.' St. Matt. xvi. 24.

THE SON of GOD goes forth to war,
A kingly crown to gain;
His blood-red banner streams afar,
Who follows in his train?
Who best can drink his cup of woe,
Triumphant over pain;
Who patient bears his cross below,
He follows in his train.

2 The martyr first, whose eagle eye
Could pierce beyond the grave;
Who saw his Master in the sky,
And called on him to save.
Like him, with pardon on his tongue,
In midst of mortal pain,
He prayed for them that did the wrong:
Who follows in his train?

3 A glorious band, the chosen few,
On whom the SPIRIT came:
Twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew,
And mocked the cross and flame.
They met the tyrant's brandished steel,
The lion's gory mane;
They bowed their necks the death to feel:
Who follows in their train?

4 A noble army—men and boys,
The matron and the maid;
Around the SAVIOUR's throne rejoice,
In robes of light arrayed.
They climbed the steep ascent of heaven
Through peril, toil, and pain:
O GOD, to us may grace be given
To follow in their train. Amen.

405

Tr. (1831) *from the German of Rev. Martin Luther* (1529) *by Thomas Carlyle.*

'Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope.'
Zech. ix. 12.

Ein' feste Burg.

A SAFE stronghold our GOD is still,
A trusty shield and weapon;
He'll help us clear from all the ill
That hath us now o'ertaken.
The ancient prince of hell
Hath risen with purpose fell;
Strong mail of craft and power
He weareth in this hour;
On earth is not his fellow.

2 With force of arms we nothing can,
Full soon were we down-ridden;
But for us fights the proper Man,
Whom GOD himself hath bidden.
Ask ye, who is this same?
CHRIST JESUS is his Name,
The LORD SABAOTH'S SON;
He, and no other one,
Shall conquer in the battle.

*3 And were this world all devils o'er,
And watching to devour us,
We lay it not to heart so sore;
Not they can overpower us.
And let the prince of ill
Look grim as e'er he will,
He harms us not a whit;
For why?—his doom is writ;
A word shall quickly slay him.

4 GOD'S Word, for all their craft and force,
One moment will not linger,
But, spite of hell, shall have its course;
'Tis written by his finger.

And though they take our life,
Goods, honour, children, wife,
Yet is their profit small;
These things shall vanish all,
The city of GOD remaineth. Amen.

406

Tr. (1771) *from the Welsh of Rev. W. Williams* (1745) *by Rev. P. Williams.*

'For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death.' Ps. xlviii. 14.

Arglwydd arwain trwy'r anialwch.

GUIDE me, O thou great JEHOVAH,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Bear me through the swelling current,
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises
I will ever give to thee. Amen.

407

James Edmeston, 1821

'Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness.' Ps. v. 8.

LEAD us, heavenly FATHER, lead us
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
For we have no help but thee;
Yet possessing every blessing,
If our GOD our FATHER be.

2 SAVIOUR, breathe forgiveness o'er us;
All our weakness thou dost know;
Thou didst tread this earth before us,
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,
Through the desert thou didst go.

3 SPIRIT of our GOD, descending,
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
Love with every passion blending,
Pleasure that can never cloy:
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,
Nothing can our peace destroy. Amen.

408

Rev. T. J. Potter, 1860

'In the name of our God we will set up our banners.'
Ps. xx. 5.

BRIGHTLY gleams our banner,
Pointing to the sky,
Waving on CHRIST's soldiers
To their home on high!
Marching through the desert,
Gladly thus we pray,
Still, with hearts united,
Singing on our way—
Brightly gleams our banner,
Pointing to the sky,
Waving on CHRIST's soldiers
To their home on high!

2 JESU, LORD and Master,
At thy sacred feet,
Here with hearts rejoicing,
See thy children meet:
Often have we left thee,
Often gone astray:
Keep us, mighty SAVIOUR,
In the narrow way.
Brightly gleams.

3 All our days direct us
In the way we go,
Lead us on victorious
Over every foe:
Bid thine angels shield us
When the storm-clouds lower,
Pardon thou, and save us
In the last dread hour.
Brightly gleams.

4 Then with saints and angels
May we join above,
Offering prayers and praises
At thy throne of love;
When the march is over,
Then come rest and peace,
JESUS in his beauty,
Songs that never cease.
Brightly gleams. Amen.

409

Rev. J. S. B. Monsell, 1862.

'Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice.'
Phil. iv. 4.

ON our way rejoicing,
As we homeward move,
Hearken to our praises,
O thou GOD of love!
Is there grief or sadness?
Thine it cannot be!
Is our sky beclouded?
Clouds are not from thee!
On our way rejoicing,
As we onward move,
Hearken to our praises,
O thou GOD of love.

2 If with honest-hearted
Love for GOD and man,
Day by day thou find us
Doing all we can,
Thou who giv'st the seed-time
Wilt give large increase,
Crown the head with blessings,
Fill the heart with peace.

On our way.

3 On our way rejoicing
Gladly let us go;
Conquered hath our Leader,
Vanquished is our foe!
CHRIST without, our safety,
CHRIST within, our joy;
Who, if we be faithful,
Can our hope destroy?

On our way.

4 Unto GOD the FATHER
Joyful songs we sing;
Unto GOD the SAVIOUR
Thankful hearts we bring;
Unto GOD the SPIRIT
Bow we and adore,
On our way rejoicing
Now and evermore.

On our way. Amen.

410

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1877.

'He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.' St. Matt. xii. 30.

WHO is on the LORD's side?
Who will serve the King?
Who will be his helpers
Other lives to bring?

Who will leave the world's side?
Who will face the foe?
Who is on the LORD's side?
Who for him will go?
By thy call of mercy,
By thy grace divine,
We are on the LORD's side,
SAVIOUR, we are thine!

2 Not for weight of glory,
Not for crown and palm,
Enter we the army,
Raise the warrior psalm;
But for love that claimeth
Lives for whom he died,
He whom JESUS nameth
Must be on his side.
By thy love constraining,
By thy grace divine,
We are on the LORD's side,
SAVIOUR, we are thine!

3 JESUS, thou hast bought us,
Not with gold or gem,
But with thine own life-blood,
For thy diadem.
With thy blessing filling
Each who comes to thee,
Thou hast made us willing,
Thou hast made us free.
By thy grand redemption,
By thy grace divine,
We are on the LORD's side,
SAVIOUR, we are thine!

4 Fierce may be the conflict,
Strong may be the foe,
But the King's own army
None can overthrow.

Round his standard ranging,
Victory is secure;
For his truth unchanging
Makes the triumph sure.
Joyfully enlisting,
By thy grace divine,
We are on the LORD's side,
SAVIOUR, we are thine! Amen.

411

H. K. White, 1812, *and Frances S. Colquhoun*, 1827.

'Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.' 1 Cor. xvi. 13.

OFT in danger, oft in woe,
Onward, Christians, onward go,
Bear the toil, maintain the strife,
Strengthened with the Bread of Life.

2 Onward, Christians, onward go,
Join the war and face the foe;
Will ye flee in danger's hour?
Know ye not your Captain's power?

3 Let your drooping hearts be glad;
March, in heavenly armour clad;
Fight, nor think the battle long;
Victory soon shall tune your song.

4 Let not sorrow dim your eye;
Soon shall every tear be dry:
Let not fears your course impede;
Great your strength, if great your need.

5 Onward then to battle move;
More than conquerors ye shall prove;
Though opposed by many a foe,
Christian soldiers, onward go. Amen.

412

Rev. S. Baring-Gould, 1864.

'Peace through . . . his cross.' Col. i. 20.

ONWARD, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of JESUS
Going on before.
CHRIST, the royal Master,
Leads against the foe,
Forward into battle,
See, his banners go.

Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of JESUS
Going on before.

2 At the sign of triumph
Satan's host doth flee;
On, then, Christian soldiers,
On to victory!
Hell's foundations quiver
At the shout of praise;
Brothers, lift your voices;
Loud your anthems raise.

Onward, Christian soldiers.

3 Crowns and thrones may perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane;
But the Church of JESUS
Constant will remain:
Gates of hell can never
'Gainst that Church prevail;
We have CHRIST's own promise,
And that cannot fail.

Onward, Christian soldiers.

4 Onward, then, ye people,
Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph song;
Glory, laud, and honour
Unto CHRIST the King,
This through countless ages
Men and angels sing.

Onward, Christian soldiers. Amer.

413

Rev. John Cennick, 1742

'And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.' Isa. xxxv. 10.

CHILDREN of the heavenly King,
As ye journey, sweetly sing;
Sing your SAVIOUR's worthy praise,
Glorious in his works and ways.

2 We are travelling home to GOD
In the way the fathers trod;
They are happy now, and we
Soon their happiness shall see.

3 Lift your eyes, ye sons of light,
Sion's city is in sight;
There our endless home shall be,
There our LORD we soon shall see.

4 Fear not, brethren, joyful stand
On the borders of your land;
CHRIST, the everlasting SON,
Bids you undismayed go on.

5 LORD, obediently we go,
Gladly leaving all below;
Only thou our Leader be,
And we still will follow thee. Amen.

414

Dean Henry Alford, 1871.

'And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward.' Exod. xiv. 15.

FORWARD! be our watchword,
Steps and voices joined;
Seek the things before us,
Not a look behind;
Burns the fiery pillar
At our army's head;
Who shall dream of shrinking,
By JEHOVAH led?
Forward through the desert,
Through the toil and fight:
Jordan flows before us,
Zion beams with light.

2 Forward, flock of JESUS,
Salt of all the earth,
Till each yearning purpose
Spring to glorious birth:
Sick, they ask for healing;
Blind, they grope for day:
Pour upon the nations
Wisdom's loving ray.
Forward, out of error;
Leave behind the night;
Forward through the darkness,
Forward into light.

3 Glories upon glories
Hath our GOD prepared,
By the souls that love him
One day to be shared:
Eye hath not beheld them,
Ear hath never heard;
Nor of these hath uttered
Thought or speech a word:
Forward, marching eastward,
Where the heaven is bright,
Till the veil be lifted,
Till our faith be sight.

4 Far o'er yon horizon
Rise the city towers,
Where our GOD abideth;
That fair home is ours;
Flash the streets with jasper,
Shine the gates with gold;
Flows the gladdening river
Shedding joys untold.
Thither, onward thither,
In JEHOVAH'S might:
Pilgrims to your country,
Forward into light.

5 To the FATHER'S glory
Loudest anthems raise;
To the SON and SPIRIT
Echo songs of praise;
To the LORD JEHOVAH,
Blessèd THREE in ONE,
Be by men and angels
Endless honour done.
Weak are earthly praises,
Dull the songs of night;
Forward into triumph,
Forward into light. Amen.

415 *Tr.* (1868) *from the Latin* (1736) *by Rev. J. H. Clark.*

'Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: . . . be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.' Rev. ii. 10.

Pugnate, Christi milites.

SOLDIERS, who are CHRIST's below,
Strong in faith resist the foe:
Boundless is the pledged reward
Unto them who serve the LORD.

2 'Tis no palm of fading leaves
That the conqueror's hand receives;
Joys are his, serene and pure,
Light that ever shall endure.

3 For the souls that overcome
Waits the beauteous heavenly home,
Where the blessèd evermore
Tread on high the starry floor.

4 Passing soon and little worth
Are the things that tempt on earth;
Heavenward lift thy soul's regard;
GOD himself is thy reward.

5 FATHER, who the crown dost give,
SAVIOUR, by whose death we live,
SPIRIT, who our hearts dost raise,
THREE in ONE, thy Name we praise. Amen.

416 *Charlotte Elliott*, 1836.

'Watch . . . and pray.' St. Mark xiv. 38.

CHRISTIAN! seek not yet repose,
Hear thy guardian angel say;
Thou art in the midst of foes;
Watch and pray.

2 Principalities and powers,
Mustering their unseen array,
Wait for thy unguarded hours;
Watch and pray.

3 Gird thy heavenly armour on,
Wear it ever night and day;
Ambushed lies the evil one;
Watch and pray.

4 Hear the victors who o'ercame;
Still they mark each warrior's way;
All with one clear voice exclaim,
Watch and pray.

5 Hear, above all, hear thy LORD,
Him thou lovest to obey;
Hide within thy heart his word,
Watch and pray.

6 Watch, as if on that alone
Hung the issue of the day;
Pray that help may be sent down;
Watch and pray. Amen.

417

Rev. H. F. Lyte, 1834.

'To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.' Ps. lxiii. 2.

FAR from my heavenly home,
Far from my FATHER's breast,
Fainting I cry, Blest SPIRIT, come,
And speed me to my rest.

2 My spirit homeward turns,
And fain would thither flee:
My heart, O Zion, droops and yearns,
When I remember thee.

3 To thee, to thee I press,
A dark and toilsome road:
When shall I pass the wilderness,
And reach the saints' abode?

4 GOD of my life, be near:
On thee my hopes I cast:
O guide me through the desert here,
And bring me home at last. Amen.

418

Rev. H. Bonar, 1856.

'Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God.' 2 Peter iii. 12.

FAR down the ages now,
Her journey not yet done,
The pilgrim Church pursues her way,
And longs to reach her crown.

2 No wider is the gate,
No broader is the way,
No smoother is the ancient path
That leads to light and day.

3 No feebler is the foe,
No slacker grows the fight,
Nor less the need of armour tried,
Of shield and helmet bright.

4 Thus onward still we press,
Through evil and through good,
Through pain, or poverty, or want,
Through peril or through blood.

5 Still faithful to our GOD,
And to our Captain true,
We follow where he leads the way,
The Kingdom still in view. Amen.

419

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1749.

'Put on the whole armour of God.' Eph. vi. 11.

SOLDIERS of CHRIST, arise,
And put your armour on;
Strong in the strength which GOD supplies,
Through his Eternal SON;

2 Strong in the LORD of hosts,
And in his mighty power;
Who in the strength of JESUS trusts
Is more than conqueror.

3 Stand then in his great might,
With all his strength endued;
And take, to arm you for the fight,
The panoply of GOD.

4 From strength to strength go on,
Wrestle, and fight, and pray;
Tread all the powers of darkness down,
And win the well-fought day.

5 That having all things done,
And all your conflicts past,
Ye may obtain, through CHRIST alone,
A crown of joy at last.

6 JESU, Eternal SON,
We praise thee and adore,
Who art with GOD the FATHER ONE,
And SPIRIT evermore. Amen.

420

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1719.

'My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.' Ps. lxxxiv. 2.

LORD of the worlds above,
How pleasant and how fair
The dwellings of thy love,
Thy earthly temples are!
To thine abode
My heart aspires,
With warm desires
To see my GOD.

2 O happy souls, that pray
Where GOD appoints to hear!
O happy men, that pay
Their constant service there!
They praise thee still:
And happy they
That love the way
To Zion's hill.

3 They go from strength to strength
Through this dark vale of tears,
Till each arrives at length,
Till each in heaven appears:
O glorious seat;
When GOD our King
Shall thither bring
Our willing feet.

4 GOD is our sun and shield,
Our light and our defence;
With gifts his hands are filled,
We draw our blessings thence.
Thrice happy he,
O GOD of hosts,
Whose spirit trusts
Alone in thee. Amen.

421 *Based on the German of Matthäus von Löwenstern* (1644) *by Philip Pusey* (1840).

'Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake.' Ps. lxxix. 9.

Christe du Beistand.

LORD of our life, and GOD of our salvation,
Star of our night, and Hope of every nation,
Hear and receive thy Church's supplication,
LORD GOD Almighty.

2 See round thine ark the hungry billows curling;
See how thy foes their banners are unfurling:
LORD, while their darts envenomed they are hurling,
Thou canst preserve us.

3 LORD, thou canst help when earthly armour faileth,
LORD, thou canst save when deadly sin assaileth,
LORD, o'er thy Church nor death nor hell prevaileth;
Grant us thy peace, LORD.

4 Grant us thy help till foes are backward driven,
Grant them thy truth, that they may be forgiven,
Grant peace on earth, and, after we have striven,
Peace in thy heaven. Amen.

422

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1849.

'Hold fast the form of sound words.' 2 Tim. i. 13.

FAITH of our fathers! living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

2 Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free;
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for thee!
Faith of our fathers!

3 Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers! Amen.

423

Anon., 1859.

'And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.' Rom. xiii. 11.

HARK, 'tis the watchman's cry,
Wake, brethren, wake:
JESUS himself is nigh;
Wake, brethren, wake.

Sleep is for sons of night;
Ye are children of the light;
Yours is the glory bright;
Wake, brethren, wake.

2 Call to each wakening band,
Watch, brethren, watch;
Clear is our LORD's command,
Watch, brethren, watch.
Be ye as men that wait
Always at their Master's gate,
E'en though he tarry late;
Watch, brethren, watch.

3 Heed we the Steward's call,
Work, brethren, work:
There's room enough for all:
Work, brethren, work.
This vineyard of the LORD
Constant labour will afford;
He will your work reward;
Work, brethren, work.

4 Hear we the Shepherd's voice,
Pray, brethren, pray:
Would ye his heart rejoice,
Pray, brethren, pray.
Sin calls for ceaseless fear,
Weakness needs the Strong One near.
Long as ye struggle here,
Pray, brethren, pray.

5 Sound now the final chord,
Praise, brethren, praise:
Thrice holy is the LORD,
Praise, brethren, praise.
What more befits the tongues
Soon to join the angels' songs?
While heaven the note prolongs
Praise, brethren, praise. Amen.

424 *Rev. John M. Neale*, 1862.

'The fellowship of his sufferings.' Phil. iii. 10.

O HAPPY band of pilgrims,
If onward ye will tread
With JESUS as your fellow
To JESUS as your Head!

2 O happy if ye labour
As JESUS did for men:
O happy if ye hunger
As JESUS hungered then!

3 The Cross that JESUS carried
He carried as your due;
The crown that JESUS weareth,
He weareth it for you.

4 The faith by which ye see him,
The hope in which ye yearn,
The love that through all troubles
To him alone will turn—

5 What are they but forerunners
To lead you to his sight?
What are they save the effluence
Of uncreated Light?

6 The trials that beset you,
The sorrows ye endure,
The manifold temptations
That death alone can cure—

7 What are they but his jewels
Of right celestial worth?
What are they but the ladder
Set up to heaven on earth?

8 O happy band of pilgrims,
Look upward to the skies,
Where such a light affliction
Shall win so great a prize. Amen.

425

Rev. C. Silvester Horne, 1909.

'He hath shewed strength with his arm.' St. Luke i. 51.

FOR the might of thine arm we bless thee,
our GOD, our fathers' GOD;
Thou hast kept thy pilgrim people by the
strength of thy staff and rod;
Thou hast called us to the journey which faith-
less feet ne'er trod;
For the might of thine arm we bless thee, our
GOD, our fathers' GOD.

2 For the love of CHRIST constraining, that
bound their hearts as one;
For the faith in truth and freedom in which
their work was done;
For the peace of GOD's evangel wherewith their
feet were shod;
For the might of thine arm we bless thee, our
GOD, our fathers' GOD.

3 We are watchers of a beacon whose light must
never die;
We are guardians of an altar that shows thee
ever nigh;
We are children of thy freemen who sleep
beneath the sod;
For the might of thine arm we bless thee, our
GOD, our fathers' GOD.

4 May the shadow of thy presence around our
camp be spread;
Baptize us with the courage thou gavest to our
dead;
O keep us in the pathway their saintly feet have
trod;
For the might of thine arm we bless thee, our
GOD, our fathers' GOD. Amen.

426

Jessie Adams, 1908.

'He was seen upon the wings of the wind.' 2 Sam. xxii. 11.

I FEEL the winds of GOD to-day;
To-day my sail I lift,
Though heavy oft with drenching spray,
And torn with many a rift;
If hope but light the water's crest,
And CHRIST my bark will use,
I'll seek the seas at his behest,
And brave another cruise.

2 It is the wind of GOD that dries
My vain regretful tears,
Until with braver thoughts shall rise
The purer, brighter years;
If cast on shores of selfish ease
Or pleasure I should be,
LORD, let me feel thy freshening breeze,
And I'll put back to sea.

3 If ever I forget thy love
And how that love was shown,
Lift high the blood-red flag above:
It bears thy Name alone.
Great Pilot of my onward way,
Thou wilt not let me drift;
I feel the winds of GOD to-day,
To-day my sail I lift. Amen.

427

J. Bunyan (1684), *and others.*

'To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life.' Rom. ii. 7.

HE who would valiant be
'Gainst all disaster,
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master.

There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.

2 Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound—
His strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
Though he with giants fight:
He will make good his right
To be a pilgrim.

3 Since, LORD, thou dost defend
Us with thy SPIRIT,
We know we at the end
Shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
To be a pilgrim. Amen.

428

Rev. E. W. Shurtleff, 1888.

'Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness.' Ps. v. 8.

LEAD on, O King Eternal:
The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest
Thy tents shall be our home:
Through days of preparation
Thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King Eternal,
We lift our battle-song.

2 Lead on, O King Eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper
The sweet Amen of peace;

For not with swords loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums,
But deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.

3 Lead on, O King Eternal:
We follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning
Where'er thy face appears:
Thy Cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might. Amen.

429

Rev. P. Doddridge, 1736.

'O Lord God of our fathers, . . . art not thou our God?'
2 Chron. xx. 6, 7.

O GOD of Bethel, by whose hand
Thy people still are fed;
Who through this weary pilgrimage
Hast all our fathers led:

2 Our vows, our prayers, we now present
Before thy throne of grace:
God of our fathers, be the God
Of their succeeding race.

3 Through each perplexing path of life
Our wandering footsteps guide;
Give us each day our daily bread,
And raiment fit provide.

4 O spread thy covering wings around,
Till all our wanderings cease,
And at our Father's loved abode
Our souls arrive in peace. Amen.

430

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1854.

'The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.' Rom. xiii. 12.

HARK! hark, my soul! angelic songs are swelling
O'er earth's green fields and ocean's wave-beat shore:
How sweet the truth those blessèd strains are telling
Of that new life when sin shall be no more.

Angels of JESUS, *angels of light,*
Singing to welcome the pilgrims of the night!

2 Onward we go, for still we hear them singing,
'Come, weary souls, for JESUS bids you come':
And through the dark, its echoes sweetly ringing,
The music of the gospel leads us home.

Angels of JESUS, *angels of light.*

3 Far, far away, like bells at evening pealing,
The voice of JESUS sounds o'er land and sea,
And laden souls, by thousands meekly stealing,
Kind Shepherd, turn their weary steps to thee.

Angels of JESUS, *angels of light.*

4 Rest comes at length; though life be long and dreary,
The day must dawn, and darksome night be past;
Faith's journey ends in welcome to the weary,
And heaven, the heart's true home, will come at last.

Angels of JESUS, *angels of light.*

5 Angels! sing on, your faithful watches keeping,
Sing us sweet fragments of the songs above.
Till morning's joy shall end the night of weeping,
And life's long shadows break in cloudless love.
Angels of JESUS, *angels of light*. Amen.

431

A. C. Benson, 1903

'I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.'
St. John xiv. 18.

IN the silent midnight,
Homeless and alone,
Jacob slept aweary
Pillowed on a stone.
Far from all who loved him
Was the wand'rer then,
Faring forth to labour
In the world of men.

2 Then what sudden glories
Flashed across his dream!
Heavenly splendours breaking
Over hill and stream;
Down from heights of glory,
Through the wondering air,
Angels, countless angels,
Thronged the golden stair.

3 In the solemn midnight
Jacob woke from sleep,
GOD was close beside him
In the silent deep:
Through the misty morning
Soon he must depart,
With the heavenly vision
Bright within his heart.

4 We must take our journey
To the land unknown,
We may fail in courage,
Homeless and alone:
Angel-hosts to guard us,
GOD in heaven above:
And we dare not falter
If we trust his love. Amen.

PRAYER

432 *Bishop C. Venn Pilcher*, 1935.

'The Lord is King for ever and ever.' Ps. x. 16.

KING of Love, O CHRIST, we crown thee
LORD of thought and LORD of will,
Each demand of thy high challenge
Dedicated to fulfil—
We with thee by grace co-workers,
Till, where'er man's foot hath trod,
Peoples, kings, dominions, races,
Own the empire of our GOD.

2 King of Life, who hast created
Wheat in golden harvest spread,
Make thy servants strong to serve thee
By the gift of daily bread;
Feed us with thy Body broken,
With thy Blood outpoured sustain,
That our souls divinely strengthened
May the life eternal gain.

3 King of Mercy, thou hast saved us
From the haunting sense of loss,
Nailing in thy vast compassion
Sin's indictment to the Cross;
Them who love, by thy sore anguish,
From the past thou makest free,
Breathing words of absolution
Where thou reignest from the Tree.

4 King triumphant, King victorious,
Take thy throne our hearts within,
Lest the might of fierce temptation
Snare us into mortal sin;
By thy SPIRIT's rich anointing
Grant us power life's race to run,
Till the lure of sense be vanquished,
Till the prize of GOD be won. Amen.

433

Rev. G. R. Prynne, 1856.

'Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.' St. Matt. xi. 29.

JESU, meek and gentle,
SON of GOD most high,
Pitying, loving SAVIOUR,
Hear thy children's cry.

2 Pardon our offences,
Loose our captive chains,
Break down every idol
Which our soul detains.

3 Give us holy freedom,
Fill our hearts with love,
Draw us, HOLY JESUS,
To the realms above.

4 Lead us on our journey,
Be thyself the way
Through terrestrial darkness
To celestial day.

5 JESU, meek and gentle,
SON of GOD most high,
Pitying, loving SAVIOUR,
Hear thy children's cry. Amen.

434

Rev. Henry Collins, 1854.

'My Lord and my God.' St. John xx. 28.

JESU, my LORD, my GOD, my All,
Hear me, blest SAVIOUR, when I call;
Hear me, and from thy dwelling-place
Pour down the riches of thy grace;
JESU, my LORD, I thee adore,
O make me love thee more and more.

2 JESU, too late I thee have sought,
How can I love thee as I ought?
And how extol thy matchless fame,
The glorious beauty of thy Name?
JESU, my LORD, I thee adore,
O make me love thee more and more.

3 JESU, what didst thou find in me,
That thou hast dealt so lovingly?
How great the joy that thou hast brought,
So far exceeding hope or thought!
JESU, my LORD, I thee adore,
O make me love thee more and more.

4 JESU, of thee shall be my song,
To thee my heart and soul belong;
All that I have or am is thine,
And thou, blest SAVIOUR, thou art mine.
JESU, my LORD, I thee adore,
O make me love thee more and more. Amen.

435

Rev. T. B. Pollock, 1875.

'I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments.' Ps. cxix. 176.

WE have not known thee as we ought,
Nor learned thy wisdom, grace, and power;
The things of earth have filled our thought,
And trifles of the passing hour.
LORD, give us light thy truth to see,
And make us wise in knowing thee.

2 We have not feared thee as we ought,
Nor bowed beneath thine awful eye,
Nor guarded deed, and word, and thought,
Remembering that GOD was nigh.
LORD, give us faith to know thee near,
And grant the grace of holy fear.

3 We have not loved thee as we ought,
Nor cared that we are loved by thee;
Thy presence we have coldly sought,
And feebly longed thy face to see.
LORD, give a pure and loving heart
To feel and own the love thou art.

4 We have not served thee as we ought,
Alas! the duties left undone—
The work with little fervour wrought—
The battles lost, or scarcely won!
LORD, give the zeal, and give the might,
For thee to toil, for thee to fight.

5 When shall we know thee as we ought,
And fear, and love, and serve aright?
When shall we out of trial brought
Be perfect in the land of light?
LORD, may we day by day prepare
To see thy face, and serve thee there. Amen.

436

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1849.

'Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.' Ps. xc. 2.

HAVE mercy on us, GOD most high,
Who lift our hearts to thee;
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most HOLY TRINITY.

2 When heaven and earth were yet unmade,
When time was yet unknown,
Thou, in thy bliss and majesty,
Didst live and love alone.

3 How wonderful creation is,
The work that thou didst bless;
And O what then must thou be like,
Eternal Loveliness!

4 Most ancient of all mysteries!
Low at thy throne we lie;
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most HOLY TRINITY. Amen.

437

Rev. Henry Collins, 1854.

'But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.' St. Matt. xiv. 30.

JESU, meek and lowly,
SAVIOUR, pure and holy,
On thy love relying
Hear me humbly crying.

2 Prince of life and power,
My salvation's tower,
On the Cross I view thee
Calling sinners to thee.

3 There behold me gazing
At the sight amazing;
Bending low before thee,
Helpless I adore thee.

4 By thy red wounds streaming,
With thy life-blood gleaming,
Blood for sinners flowing,
Pardon free bestowing;

5 By that Fount of blessing,
Thy dear love expressing,
All my aching sadness
Turn thou into gladness.

6 LORD, in mercy guide me,
Be thou e'er beside me;
In thy ways direct me,
'Neath thy wings protect me. Amen.

438

James Montgomery, 1818.

'Lord, teach us to pray.' St. Luke xi. 1.

PRAYER is the soul's sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed;
The motion of a hidden fire,
That trembles in the breast.

2 Prayer is the burden of a sigh,
The falling of a tear,
The upward glancing of an eye,
When none but GOD is near.

3 Prayer is the simplest form of speech
That infant lips can try,
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach
The Majesty on high.

4 Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air,
His watchword at the gates of death:
He enters heaven with prayer.

5 Prayer is the contrite sinner's voice,
Returning from his ways;
While angels in their songs rejoice,
And cry, 'Behold, he prays.'

6 O thou by whom we come to GOD,
The Life, the Truth, the Way,
The path of prayer thyself hast trod:
LORD, teach us how to pray. Amen.

439

Rev. G. Rorison, 1849.

'Sing unto the Lord, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.' Ps. xcvi. 2.

THREE in ONE, and ONE in THREE,
Ruler of the earth and sea,
Hear us, while we lift to thee
Holy chant and psalm.

2 Light of lights! with morning-shine
Lift on us thy Light divine;
And let charity benign
Breathe on us her balm.

3 Light of lights! when falls the even,
Let it close on sin forgiven;
Fold us in the peace of heaven;
Shed a holy calm.

4 THREE in ONE, and ONE in THREE,
Dimly here we worship thee;
With the saints hereafter we
Hope to bear the palm. Amen.

440

Bishop R. Heber, 1811.

'Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.' Lam. iii. 56.

LORD of mercy and of might,
Of mankind the life and light,
Maker, Teacher, infinite,
JESU, hear and save!

2 Who, when sin's primeval doom
Gave creation to the tomb,
Didst not scorn a virgin's womb,
JESU, hear and save!

3 Strong Creator! SAVIOUR mild!
Humbled to a mortal child,
Captive, beaten, bound, reviled,
JESU, hear and save!

4 Throned above celestial things,
Borne aloft on angels' wings,
LORD of lords, and King of kings,
JESU, hear and save!

5 Soon to come to earth again,
Judge of angels and of men,
Hear us now, and hear us then,
JESU, hear and save! Amen.

441

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1881.

'O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is.' Ps. lxiii. 1.

HOLY FATHER, hear me;
Thou art my defender,
Be thou ever near me,
Loving, true, and tender.

2 JESUS, blessèd SAVIOUR,
LORD of life and glory,
Grant me now thy favour
As I kneel before thee.

3 Comforter benignest,
Who abiding in me
All my need divinest,
Move me, draw me, win me.

4 Holy, Holy, Holy,
Come, and leave me never,
Thine abode most lowly,
Only thine for ever. Amen.

442

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1749.

'And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.' Gen. xxxii. 26.

SHEPHERD Divine, our wants relieve
In this our evil day;
To all thy tempted followers give
The power to watch and pray.

2 Long as our fiery trials last,
Long as the cross we bear,
O let our souls on thee be cast
In never-ceasing prayer.

3 The SPIRIT's interceding grace
Give us in faith to claim;
To wrestle till we see thy face,
And know thy hidden Name.

4 Till thou thy perfect love impart,
Till thou thyself bestow,
Be this the cry of every heart,
'I will not let thee go.'

5 I will not let thee go, unless
Thou tell thy Name to me;
With all thy great salvation bless,
And make me all like thee.

6 Then let me on the mountain-top
Behold thine open face;
Where faith in sight is swallowed up,
And prayer in endless praise. Amen.

443

James J. Cummins, 1839.

'Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy word.' Ps. cxix. 170.

JESUS, LORD of life and glory,
Bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good LORD.

2 From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within,
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good LORD.

3 When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour,
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good LORD.

4 When the world around is smiling,
In the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling,
In the day of health and peace,
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good LORD.

5 In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When all human help is vain,
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good LORD.

6 In the solemn hour of dying,
In the aweful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying,
Find thee still our Rock and Stay;
By thy mercy,
O deliver us, good LORD. Amen.

444

Rev. L. Tuttiett, 1866.

'Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.' Heb. xiii. 5.

WHEN the world is brightest,
And our hearts are lightest,
Blessèd JESU, hear us!
Let thy hand be near us!

2 When life's scene is shaded,
All its bright hopes faded,
Blessèd JESU, hear us!
Light of heaven, be near us!

3 When with blessings sated,
Or by praise elated,
Blessèd JESU, hear us!
Let thy Cross be near us!

4 When our foes surround us,
While our sins have bound us,
Blessèd JESU, hear us!
Let thy help be near us!

5 When the night of sorrow
Makes us dread to-morrow,
Blessèd JESU, hear us!
Light of heaven, be near us! Amen.

445

Rev. Thomas Haweis, 1792.

'And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.' St. Luke xxiii. 42.

O THOU, from whom all goodness flows,
I lift my heart to thee;
In all my sorrows, conflicts, woes,
Dear LORD, remember me.

2 When on my aching burdened heart
My sins lie heavily,
Thy pardon grant, thy peace impart;
Dear LORD, remember me.

3 When trials sore obstruct my way
And ills I cannot flee,
O let my strength be as my day;
Dear LORD, remember me.

4 If worn with pain, disease, and grief
This feeble frame should be,
Grant patience, rest, and kind relief;
Dear LORD, remember me.

5 When in the solemn hour of death
I wait thy just decree,
Be this the prayer of my last breath;
Dear LORD, remember me. Amen.

446

Dean H. H. Milman, 1827.

'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.' Ps. xlvi. 1.

O HELP us, LORD; each hour of need
Thy heavenly succour give;
Help us in thought, and word, and deed,
Each hour on earth we live.

2 O help us, when our spirits bleed
With contrite anguish sore;
And when our hearts are cold and dead,
O help us, LORD, the more.

3 O help us, through the prayer of faith
More firmly to believe;
For still the more the servant hath,
The more shall he receive.

4 O help us, JESU, from on high,
We know no help but thee;
O help us so to live and die
As thine in heaven to be. Amen.

447

Rev. John Newton, 1779.

'All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.' St. John vi. 37.

APPROACH, my soul, the mercy-seat,
Where JESUS answers prayer;
There humbly fall before his feet,
For none can perish there.

2 Thy promise is my only plea,
With this I venture nigh:
Thou callest burdened souls to thee,
And such, O LORD, am I.

3 Bowed down beneath a load of sin,
By Satan sorely pressed,
By war without, and fears within,
I come to thee for rest.

4 Be thou my Shield and Hiding Place,
That, sheltered near thy side,
I may my fierce accuser face,
And tell him thou hast died.

5 O wondrous love, to bleed and die,
To bear the Cross and shame,
That guilty sinners, such as I,
Might plead thy gracious Name! Amen.

448

Rev. Isaac Williams, 1842.

'Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.' Ps. xvii. 5.

BE thou my Guardian and my Guide,
And hear me when I call;
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,
And hold me lest I fall.

2 The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell
Around the path I tread;
O save me from the snares of hell,
Thou Quickener of the dead.

3 And if I tempted am to sin,
And outward things are strong,
Do thou, O LORD, keep watch within,
And save my soul from wrong.

4 Still let me ever watch and pray,
And feel that I am frail;
That if the tempter cross my way,
Yet he may not prevail. Amen.

449

James Montgomery, 1819.

'He will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths.' Isa. ii. 3.

LORD, teach us how to pray aright
With reverence and with fear;
Though dust and ashes in thy sight,
We may, we must draw near.

2 We perish if we cease from prayer;
O grant us power to pray;
And, when to meet thee we prepare,
LORD, meet us by the way.

3 GOD of all grace, we bring to thee
A broken contrite heart;
Give, what thine eye delights to see,
Truth in the inward part;

4 Faith in the only sacrifice
That can for sin atone;
To cast our hopes, to fix our eyes,
On CHRIST, on CHRIST alone;

5 Patience to watch, and wait, and weep,
Though mercy long delay;
Courage our fainting souls to keep,
And trust thee though thou slay;

6 Give these, and then thy will be done;
Thus, strengthened with all might,
We, through thy SPIRIT and thy SON,
Shall pray, and pray aright. Amen.

450

Rev. J. D. Carlyle, 1802.

'The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.' Ps. li. 17.

LORD, when we bend before thy throne,
And our confessions pour,
Teach us to feel the sins we own,
And hate what we deplore.

2 Our broken spirits pitying see;
True penitence impart;
Then let a kindling glance from thee
Beam hope upon the heart.

3 When we disclose our wants in prayer,
May we our wills resign,
And not a thought our bosoms share
Which is not wholly thine.

4 Let faith each weak petition fill,
And waft it to the skies,
And teach our hearts 'tis goodness still
That grants it or denies. Amen.

451

Rev. Edward Cooper, 1805.

'Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.' Heb. iv. 16.

FATHER of heaven, whose love profound
A ransom for our souls hath found,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
To us thy pardoning love extend.

2 Almighty SON, Incarnate WORD,
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, LORD,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
To us thy saving grace extend.

3 Eternal SPIRIT, by whose breath
The soul is raised from sin and death,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
To us thy quickening power extend.

4 Thrice holy! FATHER, SPIRIT, SON;
Mysterious GODHEAD, THREE in ONE,
Before thy throne we sinners bend,
Grace, pardon, life to us extend. Amen.

452

Michael Bruce, 1764.

'Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.' Heb. iv. 14.

WHERE high the heavenly temple stands,
The house of GOD not made with hands,
A great High Priest our nature wears,
The Guardian of mankind appears.

2 He, who for men their Surety stood,
And poured on earth his precious Blood,
Pursues in heaven his mighty plan,
The SAVIOUR and the Friend of man.

3 Though now ascended up on high,
He bends on earth a Brother's eye;
Partaker of the human name,
He knows the frailty of our frame.

4 Our fellow-sufferer yet retains
A fellow-feeling of our pains;
And still remembers in the skies
His tears, his agonies, and cries.

5 In every pang that rends the heart
The Man of Sorrows had a part;
He sympathizes with our grief,
And to the sufferer sends relief.

6 With boldness therefore at the throne
Let us make all our sorrows known;
And ask the aid of heavenly power
To help us in the evil hour. Amen.

453

Dean H. H. Milman, 1827.

'Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.' Isa. liii. 4.

WHEN our heads are bowed with woe,
When our bitter tears o'erflow,
When we mourn the lost, the dear,
JESU, Son of Mary, hear.

2 Thou our throbbing flesh hast worn,
Thou our mortal griefs hast borne,
Thou hast shed the human tear;
JESU, Son of Mary, hear.

3 When the solemn death-bell tolls
For our own departed souls,
When our final doom is near,
JESU, Son of Mary, hear.

4 Thou hast bowed the dying head,
Thou the blood of life hast shed,
Thou hast filled a mortal bier;
JESU, Son of Mary, hear.

5 When the heart is sad within
With the thought of all its sin,
When the spirit shrinks with fear,
JESU, Son of Mary, hear.

6 Thou the shame, the grief, hast known,
Though the sins were not thine own;
Thou hast deigned their load to bear;
JESU, Son of Mary, hear. Amen.

454

L. Maria Willis (1864), *and others.*

'Consider and hear me, O Lord.' Ps. xiii. 3.

FATHER, hear the prayer we offer;
Not for ease that prayer shall be,
But for strength that we may ever
Live our lives courageously.

2 Not for ever in green pastures
Do we ask our way to be;
But the steep and rugged pathway
May we tread rejoicingly.

3 Not for ever by still waters
Would we idly rest and stay;
But would smite the living fountains
From the rocks along our way.

4 Be our strength in hours of weakness,
In our wanderings be our guide;
Through endeavour, failure, danger,
SAVIOUR, be thou at our side. Amen.

THE HOUSE OF PRAYER

455 *Rev. John Newton,* 1779.

'My house shall be called the house of prayer.'
St. Matt. xxi. 13.

GREAT Shepherd of thy people, hear;
Thy presence now display;
As thou hast given a place for prayer,
So give us hearts to pray.

2 Within these walls let holy peace
And love and concord dwell;
Here give the troubled conscience ease;
The wounded spirit heal.

3 May we in faith receive thy Word,
In faith address our prayers;
And in the presence of our LORD
Unbosom all our cares.

4 The hearing ear, the seeing eye,
The contrite heart bestow;
And shine upon us from on high,
That we in grace may grow. Amen.

456 *Rev. Samuel Longfellow,* 1859

'Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Ps. cxli. 2.

AGAIN, as evening's shadow falls,
We gather in these hallowed walls;
And vesper hymn and vesper prayer
Rise mingling as we meet thee here.

2 May struggling hearts that seek release
Here find the rest of GOD's own peace,
And, strengthened here by hymn and prayer,
Lay down their burdens and their care.

3 O GOD, our Light, to thee we bow;
Within all shadows standest thou;
Give deeper calm than night can bring;
Give sweeter songs than lips can sing.

4 Life's tumult we must meet again;
We cannot at this shrine remain;
But as we go upon our way,
Dear SAVIOUR, be our Strength and Stay. Amen.

457

William Cowper, 1769.

'For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.' St. Matt. xviii. 20.

JESU, where'er thy people meet,
There they behold thy mercy-seat;
Where'er they seek thee, thou art found,
And every place is hallowed ground.

2 For thou, within no walls confined,
Inhabitest the humble mind;
Such ever bring thee where they come,
And going take thee to their home.

3 Here may we prove the power of prayer
To strengthen faith and sweeten care;
To teach our faint desires to rise,
And bring all heaven before our eyes.

4 LORD, we are few, but thou art near;
Nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear;
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
And make all hearts, O LORD, thine own.
Amen.

458

William Cowper, 1779.

'Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer.' Rom. xii. 12.

WHAT various hindrances we meet
In coming to the mercy-seat;
Yet who that knows the worth of prayer
But wishes to be often there?

2 Prayer makes the darkened cloud withdraw,
Prayer climbs the ladder Jacob saw,
Gives exercise to faith and love,
Brings every blessing from above.

3 Restraining prayer, we cease to fight;
Prayer makes the Christian's armour bright;
And Satan trembles when he sees
The weakest saint upon his knees.

4 When Moses stood with arms spread wide,
Success was found on Israel's side;
But when through weariness they failed,
That moment Amalek prevailed.

5 Have we no words? ah, think again;
Words flow apace when we complain,
And fill our fellow-creature's ear
With the sad tale of all our care.

6 Were half the breath thus vainly spent
To Heaven in supplication sent,
Our cheerful song would oftener be,
'Hear what the LORD hath done for me.'

7 O LORD, increase our faith and love,
That we may all thy goodness prove,
And gain from thy exhaustless store
The fruits of prayer for evermore. Amen.

459

Rev. William Pennefather, 1872.

'Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.' St. John xx. 19.

JESUS, stand among us
In thy risen power,
Let this time of worship
Be a hallowed hour.

2 Breathe the HOLY SPIRIT
Into every heart,
Bid the fears and sorrows
From each soul depart.

3 Thus with quickened footsteps
We pursue our way,
Watching for the dawning
Of the eternal day. Amen.

460 *Tr.* (1739) *from the German of G. Tersteegen* (1729) *by Rev. J. Wesley.*

'And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the Lord is in this place; and I knew it not.' Gen. xxviii. 16.

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LO, GOD is here: let us adore,
And own how sacred is this place:
Let all within us feel his power,
And silent bow before his face:
Who know his power, his grace who prove,
Serve him with awe, with reverence love.

2 Lo, GOD is here: him day and night
United choirs of angels sing;
To him, enthroned above all height,
Heaven's host their noblest praises bring.
Disdain not, LORD, our meaner song,
Who praise thee with a stammering tongue.

3 Almighty LORD, may this our praise
Thy courts with grateful fragrance fill;
Still may we stand before thy face,
Still hear and do thy sovereign will;
To thee may all our thoughts arise,
Ceaseless, accepted sacrifice. Amen.

461

Rev. John Fawcett, 1773.

'And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.' St. Luke xxiv. 51.

LORD, dismiss us with thy blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace:
O refresh us,
Travelling through life's wilderness.

2 Thanks we give, and adoration,
For thy gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound:
May thy presence
With us evermore be found.

3 So that when thy love shall call us,
SAVIOUR, from this world away,
Fear of death shall not appal us,
Glad thy summons to obey:
May we ever
Reign with thee in endless day. Amen.

462

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1707.

'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!' Isa. lii. 7.

HOW beauteous are their feet,
Who stand on Zion's hill,
Who bring salvation on their tongues,
And words of peace reveal!

2 How welcome is their voice,
How sweet the tidings are!
Zion, behold thy SAVIOUR King;
He reigns and triumphs here.

3 How happy are our ears
That hear this joyful sound,
Which kings and prophets waited for
And sought, but never found.

4 How blessèd are our eyes
That see this heavenly light!
Prophets and kings desired it long,
But died without the sight.

5 The watchmen join their voice,
And tuneful notes employ;
Jerusalem breaks forth in songs,
And deserts learn the joy.

6 The LORD makes bare his arm,
Through all the earth abroad:
Let every nation now behold
Their SAVIOUR and their GOD. Amen.

463

Rev. Timothy Dwight, 1800.

'Heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him.' James ii. 5.

I LOVE thy kingdom, LORD,
The house of thine abode,
The Church our blest Redeemer saved
With his own precious Blood.

2 I love thy Church, O GOD:
Her walls before thee stand,
Dear as the apple of thine eye,
And graven on thy hand.

3 For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayers ascend;
To her my cares and toils be given,
Till toils and cares shall end.

4 Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways,
Her sweet communion, solemn vows,
Her hymns of love and praise.

5 JESUS, thou Friend divine,
Our SAVIOUR, and our King!
Thy hand from every snare and foe
Shall great deliverance bring.

6 Sure as thy truth shall last,
To Zion shall be given
The brightest glories earth can yield,
And brighter bliss of heaven. Amen.

464

James Montgomery, 1816.

'As the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore.' Ps. cxxxiii. 3.

COMMAND thy blessing from above,
O GOD, on all assembled here;
Behold us with a FATHER'S love,
While we look up with filial fear.

2 Command thy blessing, JESUS, LORD,
May we thy true disciples be;
Speak to each heart the mighty word;
Say to the weakest, Follow me.

3 Command thy blessing, in this hour,
SPIRIT of truth, and fill this place
With humbling and with healing power,
With quickening and confirming grace.

4 O thou, our Maker, SAVIOUR, Guide,
One true eternal GOD confessed,
May naught in life or death divide
The saints in thy communion blest. Amen.

465

Tr. (1837) *from the Latin of C. Coffin* (1736) *by Rev. J. Chandler.*

'Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!' Ps. cxxxiii. 1.

O quam juvat fratres, Deus.

O LORD, how joyful 'tis to see
The brethren join in love to thee;
On thee alone their heart relies,
Their only strength thy grace supplies.

2 How sweet within thy holy place
With one accord to sing thy grace,
Besieging thine attentive ear
With all the force of fervent prayer.

3 O may we love the house of GOD,
Of peace and joy the blest abode;
O may no angry strife destroy
That sacred peace, that holy joy.

4 The world without may rage, but we
Will only cling more close to thee,
With hearts to thee more wholly given,
More weaned from earth, more fixed on heaven.

5 LORD, shower upon us from above
The sacred gift of mutual love:
Each other's wants may we supply,
And reign together in the sky. Amen.

466 *Dean Bullock*, 1854, *vv.* 1–4; *Rev. Sir H. W. Baker*, 1859, *vv.* 5–7.

'Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.' Ps. xxvi. 8.

WE love the place, O GOD,
Wherein thine honour dwells;
The joy of thine abode
All earthly joy excels.

2 It is the house of prayer,
Wherein thy servants meet;
And thou, O LORD, art there
Thy chosen flock to greet.

3 We love the sacred font;
For there the Holy Dove
To pour is ever wont
His blessing from above.

4 We love thine altar, LORD;
O what on earth so dear?
For there, in faith adored,
We find thy presence near.

5 We love the word of life,
The word that tells of peace,
Of comfort in the strife,
And joys that never cease.

6 We love to sing below
For mercies freely given;
But O we long to know
The triumph-song of heaven.

7 LORD JESUS, give us grace
On earth to love thee more,
In heaven to see thy face,
And with thy saints adore. Amen.

467

Charlotte Elliott, 1836.

'Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer.' Acts iii. 1.

MY GOD, is any hour so sweet,
From blush of morn to evening star,
As that which calls us to thy feet—
The hour of prayer?

2 Then is our strength by thee renewed;
Then are our sins by thee forgiven;
Then dost thou cheer our solitude
With hopes of heaven.

3 No words can tell what sweet relief
There for our every want we find;
What strength for warfare, balm for grief;
What peace of mind.

4 Hushed is each doubt; gone every fear,
Our spirits seem in heaven to stay;
And even the penitential tear
Is wiped away.

5 LORD, till we reach yon blissful shore,
No privilege so dear shall be,
As thus our inmost souls to pour
In prayer to thee. Amen.

468 *Tr. from the German of G. Tersteegen* (1729) *by Bishop F. W. Foster and Rev. J. Miller,* 1789; *altd. Rev. W. Mercer,* 1854.

'In thy presence is fulness of joy.' Ps. xvi. 11.

Gott ist gegenwärtig.

GOD reveals his presence—
Let us now adore him,
And with awe appear before him.
GOD is in his temple—
All within keep silence,
Prostrate lie with deepest reverence.
Him alone
GOD we own,
Him our GOD and SAVIOUR:
Praise his Name for ever.

2 GOD reveals his presence—
Hear the harps resounding!
See the hosts the throne surrounding!
'Holy, Holy, Holy,'
Hear the hymn ascending,
Angels, saints, their voices blending!
Bow thine ear
To us here:
Hear, O CHRIST, the praises
That thy Church now raises.

3 O thou Fount of blessing,
Purify my spirit,
Trusting only in thy merit.
Like the holy angels
Who behold thy glory,
May I ceaselessly adore thee.
Let thy will
Ever still
Rule thy Church terrestrial,
As the hosts celestial. Amen.

469 *Rev. H. J. Buckoll*, 1843.

'My presence shall go with thee.' Exod. xxxiii. 14.

LORD, behold us with thy blessing,
Once again assembled here;
Onward be our footsteps pressing,
In thy love, and faith, and fear;
Still protect us
By thy presence ever near.

2 For thy mercy we adore thee,
For this rest upon our way;
LORD, again we bow before thee,
Speed our labours day by day;
Mind and spirit
With thy choicest gifts array.

3 Keep the spell of home affection
Still alive in every heart;
May its power, with mild direction,
Draw our love from self apart,
Till thy children
Feel that thou their FATHER art.

4 Break temptation's fatal power,
Shielding all with guardian care,
Safe in every careless hour,
Safe from sloth and sensual snare;
Thou, our SAVIOUR,
Still our failing strength repair. Amen.

PART 2

LORD, dismiss us with thy blessing,
Thanks for mercies past receive;
Pardon all, their faults confessing;
Time that 's lost may all retrieve;
May thy children
Ne'er again thy SPIRIT grieve.

2 Bless thou all our days of leisure;
Help us selfish lures to flee;
Sanctify our every pleasure;
Pure and blameless may it be;
May our gladness
Draw us evermore to thee.

3 By thy kindly influence cherish
All the good we here have gained;
May all taint of evil perish
By thy mightier power restrained;
Seek we ever
Knowledge pure and love unfeigned.

4 Let thy father-hand be shielding
All who here shall meet no more;
May their seed-time past be yielding
Year by year a richer store;
Those returning,
Make more faithful than before. Amen.

LOVE

470 *Rev. Charles Wesley*, 1747.

'That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts.' Eph. iii. 16, 17.

LOVE Divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.

2 JESU, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

3 Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.

4 Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above;
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

5 Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee;

6 Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise. Amen.

471 *Tr.* (1858) *from the German of Rev. J. Scheffler* (1657) *by Catherine Winkworth.*

'He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.'
1 John iv. 8.

Liebe, die du mich zum Bilde.

O LOVE, who formedst me to wear
The image of thy Godhead here;
Who soughtest me with tender care
Through all my wanderings wild and drear;

O Love, I give myself to thee,
Thine ever, only thine to be.

2 O Love, who ere life's earliest morn
On me thy choice hast gently laid;
O Love, who here as Man wast born,
And wholly like to us wast made;

O Love, I give myself to thee.

3 O Love, who once in time wast slain,
Pierced through and through with bitter woe!
O Love, who wrestling thus didst gain
That we eternal joy might know;

O Love, I give myself to thee.

4 O Love, who lovest me for aye,
Who for my soul dost ever plead;
O Love, who didst my ransom pay,
Whose power sufficeth in my stead;
O Love, I give myself to thee.

5 O Love, whose voice shall bid me rise
From out this dying life of ours;
O Love, whose hand o'er yonder skies
Shall set me in the fadeless bowers;
O Love, I give myself to thee. Amen.

472

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1862.

'And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.' 1 Cor. xiii. 13.

GRACIOUS SPIRIT, HOLY GHOST,
Taught by thee, we covet most
Of thy gifts at Pentecost,
Holy, heavenly love.

2 Love is kind, and suffers long,
Love is meek, and thinks no wrong,
Love than death itself more strong;
Therefore give us love.

3 Prophecy will fade away,
Melting in the light of day;
Love will ever with us stay;
Therefore give us love.

4 Faith will vanish into sight;
Hope be emptied in delight;
Love in heaven will shine more bright;
Therefore give us love.

5 Faith and hope and love we see
Joining hand in hand agree;
But the greatest of the three,
And the best, is love.

6 From the overshadowing
Of thy gold and silver wing
Shed on us, who to thee sing,
Holy, heavenly love. Amen.

473

William Cowper, 1768.

'Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.' St. John xxi. 15.

HARK! my soul, it is the LORD;
'Tis thy SAVIOUR; hear his word;
JESUS speaks, and speaks to thee:
'Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou me?

2 'I delivered thee when bound,
And when bleeding healed thy wound,
Sought thee wandering, set thee right,
Turned thy darkness into light.

3 'Can a woman's tender care
Cease towards the child she bare?
Yes, she may forgetful be,
Yet will I remember thee.

4 'Mine is an unchanging love,
Higher than the heights above,
Deeper than the depths beneath,
Free and faithful, strong as death.

5 'Thou shalt see my glory soon,
When the work of grace is done:
Partner of my throne shalt be;
Say, poor sinner, lov'st thou me?'

6 LORD, it is my chief complaint
That my love is cold and faint:
Yet I love thee, and adore;
O for grace to love thee more! Amen.

474

J. G. Whittier, 1856.

'A rushing mighty wind.' Acts ii. 2.

BLOW, winds of GOD, awake and blow
The mists of earth away;
Shine out, O Light divine, and show
How wide and far we stray.

2 Our thoughts lie open in thy sight;
And naked to thy glance
Our secret sins are in the light
Of thy pure countenance.

3 To thee our full humanity,
Its joys and pains, belong,
The wrong of man to man on thee
Inflicts a deeper wrong.

4 Yet weak and blinded though we be,
Thou dost our service own;
We bring our varying gifts to thee,
And thou rejectest none.

5 Apart from thee all gain is loss,
All labour vainly done;
The solemn shadow of thy Cross
Is better than the sun.

6 And if our hearts and flesh are weak
To bear an untried pain,
The bruisèd reed thou wilt not break,
But strengthen and sustain.

7 The healing of thy seamless dress
Is by our beds of pain;
We touch thee in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again.

8 Alone, O Love ineffable!
Thy saving name is given;
To turn aside from thee is hell,
To walk with thee is heaven. Amen.

475

Tr. (1854) *from the Latin* (15*th cent.*)
by Canon Benjamin Webb.

'And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.' Eph. iii. 19.

Apparuit benignitas. O Amor quam ecstaticus.

O LOVE, how deep! how broad! how high!
It fills the heart with ecstasy,
That GOD, the SON of GOD, should take
Our mortal form for mortals' sake.

2 He sent no angel to our race
Of higher or of lower place,
But wore the robe of human frame
Himself, and to this lost world came.

3 For us he was baptized, and bore
His holy fast, and hungered sore;
For us temptations sharp he knew;
For us the tempter overthrew.

4 For us he prayed, for us he taught,
For us his daily works he wrought,
By words, and signs, and actions, thus
Still seeking not himself but us.

5 For us to wicked men betrayed,
Scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
He bore the shameful Cross and death;
For us at length gave up his breath.

6 For us he rose from death again,
For us he went on high to reign,
For us he sent his SPIRIT here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

7 To him whose boundless love has won
Salvation for us through his SON,
To GOD the FATHER, glory be
Both now and through eternity. Amen.

476 *George Croly*, 1854.

'Teach me thy way, O Lord.' Ps. xxvii. 11.

SPIRIT of GOD, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
And make me love thee as I ought to love.

2 Hast thou not bid me love thee, GOD and King—
All, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
I see thy Cross—there teach my heart to cling:
O let me seek thee, and O let me find!

3 Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh;
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

4 Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame—
The baptism of the heaven-descended Dove,
My heart an altar, and thy love the flame.
Amen.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

477 *Tr. from the Latin* (10*th cent.*) *by Rev. E. Caswall*, 1849; *Bishop R. Mant*, 1837; *and R. Campbell*, 1850.

Veni, Creator Spiritus.

'And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever.' St. John xiv. 16.

COME, HOLY GHOST, Creator blest,
Vouchsafe within our souls to rest;
Come with thy grace and heavenly aid,
And fill the hearts which thou hast made.

2 To thee, the Comforter, we cry,
To thee, the Gift of GOD most high,
The Fount of life, the Fire of love,
The soul's Anointing from above.

3 O Finger of the hand divine,
The sevenfold gifts of grace are thine;
True promise of the FATHER thou,
Who dost the tongue with power endow.

4 Thy light to every sense impart,
And shed thy love in every heart;
Thine own unfailing might supply
To strengthen our infirmity.

5 Drive far away our ghostly foe,
And thine abiding peace bestow;
If thou be our preventing Guide,
No evil can our steps betide.

6 Praise we the FATHER, and the SON,
And HOLY SPIRIT with them ONE:
And may the SON on us bestow
The gifts that from the SPIRIT flow. Amen.

478

Rev. Simon Browne, 1720.

'For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.' Rom. viii. 14.

COME, gracious SPIRIT, heavenly Dove,
With light and comfort from above;
Be thou our Guardian, thou our Guide,
O'er every thought and step preside.

2 The light of truth to us display,
And make us know and choose thy way;
Plant holy fear in every heart,
That we from GOD may ne'er depart.

3 Lead us to CHRIST, the living Way,
Nor let us from his pastures stray;
Lead us to holiness, the road
That we must take to dwell with GOD.

4 Lead us to heaven, that we may share
Fulness of joy for ever there;
Lead us to GOD, our final rest,
To be with him for ever blest. Amen.

479

Rev. Andrew Reed, 1829.

'But ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.' 1 Cor. vi. 11.

SPIRIT Divine, attend our prayers,
And make this house thy home;
Descend with all thy gracious powers,
O come, great SPIRIT, come.

2 Come as the light; to us reveal
Our emptiness and woe:
And lead us in those paths of life,
Where all the righteous go.

3 Come as the fire, and purge our hearts
Like sacrificial flame;
Let our whole soul an offering be
To our Redeemer's Name.

4 Come as the dew, and sweetly bless
This consecrated hour;
May barrenness rejoice to own
Thy fertilizing power.

5 SPIRIT Divine, attend our prayers;
Make a lost world thy home;
Descend with all thy gracious powers,
O come, great SPIRIT, come. Amen.

480

Tr. (1627) *from the Latin* (*c.* 9*th cent.*) *by Bishop John Cosin.*

'But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.' St. John xiv. 26.

Veni, Creator Spiritus.

COME, HOLY GHOST, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing SPIRIT art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

2 Thy blessèd unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight;

3 Anoint and cheer our soilèd face
With the abundance of thy grace:
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art Guide no ill can come.

4 Teach us to know the FATHER, SON,
And thee, of BOTH, to be but ONE;
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song,
Praise to thy eternal merit,
FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT. Amen.

481

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin* (13*th cent.*) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.' Ps. civ. 30.

Veni, sancte Spiritus.

COME, thou HOLY SPIRIT, come,
And from thy celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine;
Come, thou FATHER of the poor,
Come, thou source of all our store,
Come, within our bosoms shine:

2 Thou of comforters the best,
Thou the soul's most welcome guest,
Sweet refreshment here below;
In our labour rest most sweet,
Grateful coolness in the heat,
Solace in the midst of woe.

3 O most blessèd Light Divine,
Shine within these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill;
Where thou art not, man hath naught,
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.

4 Heal our wounds; our strength renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away;
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

5 On the faithful, who adore
And confess thee, evermore
In thy sevenfold gifts descend:
Give them virtue's sure reward,
Give them thy salvation, LORD,
Give them joys that never end. Amen.

482

Tr. (1693) *from the Latin of 9th cent. by John Dryden.*

'And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.' Gen. i. 2.

Veni, Creator Spiritus.

CREATOR SPIRIT, by whose aid
The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit every humble mind;
Come, pour thy joys on human kind;
From sin and sorrow set us free,
And make us temples worthy thee.

2 O source of uncreated light,
The FATHER's promised PARACLETE,
Thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire,
Our hearts with heavenly love inspire;
Come, and thy sacred unction bring
To sanctify us while we sing.

3 Plenteous of grace, descend from high
Rich in thy sevenfold energy;
Make us eternal truths receive,
And practise all that we believe;
Give us thyself, that we may see
The FATHER and the SON by thee.

4 Immortal honour, endless fame,
Attend the Almighty FATHER's Name;
The SAVIOUR SON be glorified,
Who for lost man's redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal PARACLETE, to thee. Amen.

483

Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1874.

'Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.' Song of Solomon iv. 16.

O HOLY GHOST, thy people bless
Who long to feel thy might,
And fain would grow in holiness
As children of the light.

2 To thee we bring, who art the LORD,
Ourselves to be thy throne;
Let every thought, and deed, and word
Thy pure dominion own.

3 Life-giving SPIRIT, o'er us move,
As on the formless deep;
Give life and order, light and love,
Where now is death or sleep.

4 Great Gift of our ascended King,
His saving truth reveal;
Our tongues inspire his praise to sing,
Our hearts his love to feel.

5 True Wind of heaven, from south or north,
For joy or chastening, blow;
The garden-spices shall spring forth
If thou wilt bid them flow.

6 O HOLY GHOST, of sevenfold might,
All graces come from thee;
Grant us to know and serve aright
One GOD in Persons THREE. Amen.

484 *Tr.* (1837) *from the Latin of C. Coffin* (1736) *by Rev. J. Chandler.*

'The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.' 2 Cor. xiii. 14.

O fons amoris, Spiritus.

O HOLY SPIRIT, LORD of grace,
Eternal Fount of love,
Inflame, we pray, our inmost hearts
With fire from heaven above.

2 As thou in bond of love dost join
The FATHER and the SON,
So fill us all with mutual love,
And knit our hearts in one.

3 All glory to the FATHER be,
All glory to the SON,
All glory, HOLY GHOST, to thee,
While endless ages run. Amen.

485 *Rev. Edwin Hatch*, 1878.

'When he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost.' St. John xx. 22.

BREATHE on me, Breath of GOD,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.

2 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure;
Until my will is one with thine
To do and to endure.

3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly thine;
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with thy fire divine.

4 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity. Amen.

486

James Montgomery, 1819.

'And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.' Acts ii. 4.

LORD God the Holy Ghost,
In this accepted hour,
As on the day of Pentecost,
Descend in all thy power.

2 We meet with one accord
In our appointed place,
And wait the promise of our Lord,
The Spirit of all grace.

3 Like mighty rushing wind
Upon the waves beneath,
Move with one impulse every mind,
One soul, one feeling, breathe:

4 The young, the old, inspire
With wisdom from above;
And give us hearts and tongues of fire,
To pray and praise and love.

5 SPIRIT of light, explore,
And chase our gloom away,
With lustre shining more and more
Unto the perfect day.

6 SPIRIT of truth, be thou
In life and death our Guide;
O SPIRIT of adoption, now
May we be sanctified. Amen.

487

Bianco da Siena, d. 1434. *Tr.* (1867)
Rev. R. F. Littledale.

'The fruit of the Spirit is love.' Gal. v. 22.

Discendi, Amor santo.

COME down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3 Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the HOLY SPIRIT makes his dwelling.
Amen.

488

Rev. Thomas Toke Lynch, 1855.

'I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth.' St. John xiv. 16, 17.

GRACIOUS SPIRIT, dwell with me:
I myself would gracious be,
And with words that help and heal
Would thy life in mine reveal,
And, with actions bold and meek,
Would for CHRIST, my SAVIOUR, speak.

2 Truthful SPIRIT, dwell with me:
I myself would truthful be,
And, with wisdom kind and clear
Let thy life in mine appear,
And, with actions brotherly,
Speak my LORD'S sincerity.

3 Mighty SPIRIT, dwell with me:
I myself would mighty be,
Mighty so as to prevail
Where unaided man must fail;
Ever by a mighty hope
Pressing on and bearing up.

4 HOLY SPIRIT, dwell with me:
I myself would holy be;
Separate from sin, I would
Choose and cherish all things good;
And whatever I can be,
Give to him who gave me thee. Amen.

489

Harriet Auber, 1829.

'Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.' St. John xvi. 7.

OUR blest Redeemer, ere he breathed
His tender last farewell,
A Guide, a Comforter, bequeathed
With us to dwell.

2 He came sweet influence to impart,
A gracious, willing Guest,
While he can find one humble heart
Wherein to rest.

3 And his that gentle voice we hear,
Soft as the breath of even,
That checks each fault, that calms each fear,
And speaks of heaven.

4 And every virtue we possess,
And every victory won,
And every thought of holiness,
Are his alone.

5 SPIRIT of purity and grace,
Our weakness, pitying, see;
O make our hearts thy dwelling-place,
And worthier thee. Amen.

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THE HOLY NAME

490

Rev. John Newton, 1779.

'Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.' Song of Solomon i. 3.

HOW sweet the Name of JESUS sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear.

2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary rest.

3 Dear Name! the rock on which I build!
My shield and hiding-place!
My never-failing treasury, filled
With boundless stores of grace!

4 JESUS! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King,
My LORD, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.

5 Weak is the effort of my heart,
And cold my warmest thought;
But when I see thee as thou art
I'll praise thee as I ought.

6 Till then I would thy love proclaim
With every fleeting breath;
And may the music of thy Name
Refresh my soul in death! Amen.

491

Tr. (1837) *from Nevers Breviary* (1727) *by Rev. John Chandler.*

'And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.' St. Matt. i. 21.

Victis sibi cognomina.

CONQUERING kings their titles take
From the foes they captive make:
JESUS, by a nobler deed,
From the thousands he hath freed.

2 Yes: none other name is given
Unto mortals under heaven,
Which can make the dead arise,
And exalt them to the skies.

3 That which CHRIST so hardly wrought,
That which he so dearly bought,
That salvation, brethren, say,
Shall we madly cast away?

4 Rather gladly for that Name
Bear the cross, endure the shame;
Joyfully for him to die
Is not death but victory.

5 JESU, who dost condescend
To be called the sinners' Friend,
Hear us, as to thee we pray,
Glorying in thy Name to-day. Amen.

492

Tr. (1851) *from the Nevers Breviary* (1727) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.' Acts iv. 12.

Gloriosi Salvatoris.

TO the Name of our salvation
Laud and honour let us pay,
Which for many a generation
Hid in GOD's foreknowledge lay,
But with holy exultation
We may sing aloud to-day.

2 JESUS is the Name we treasure,
Name beyond what words can tell;
Name of gladness, Name of pleasure,
Ear and heart delighting well;
Name of sweetness passing measure,
Saving us from sin and hell.

3 'Tis the Name for adoration,
Name for songs of victory,
Name for holy meditation
In this vale of misery,
Name for joyful veneration
By the citizens on high.

4 'Tis the Name that whoso preacheth
Speaks like music to the ear;
Who in prayer this Name beseecheth
Sweetest comfort findeth near;
Who its perfect wisdom reacheth
Heavenly joy possesseth here.

5 JESUS is the Name exalted
Over every other name;
In this Name, whene'er assaulted,
We can put our foes to shame;
Strength to them who else had halted,
Eyes to blind, and feet to lame.

6 Therefore we in love adoring
This most blessèd Name revere,
Holy JESU, thee imploring
So to write it in us here,
That hereafter heavenward soaring
We may sing with angels there. Amen.

493

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin of St. Bernard of Clairvaux* (12*th cent.*) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'Christ in you, the hope of glory.' Col. i. 27.

Jesu dulcis memoria.

JESU, the very thought of thee
With sweetness fills the breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see,
And in thy presence rest.

2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find
A sweeter sound than JESUS' Name,
The SAVIOUR of mankind.

3 O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
To those who ask how kind thou art,
How good to those who seek!

4 But what to those who find? Ah! this
Nor tongue nor pen can show;
The love of JESUS, what it is
None but his loved ones know.

5 JESU, our only joy be thou,
As thou our prize wilt be;
In thee be all our glory now,
And through eternity. Amen.

494

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin of St. Bernard of Clairvaux* (12*th cent.*) *by Rev. E. Caswall.*

'That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, . . . might be filled with all the fulness of God.' Eph. iii. 17, 19.

Jesu, Rex admirabilis.

O JESU, King most wonderful,
Thou Conqueror renowned,
Thou Sweetness most ineffable,
In whom all joys are found!

2 When once thou visitest the heart,
Then truth begins to shine,
Then earthly vanities depart,
Then kindles love divine.

3 O JESU, Light of all below,
Thou Fount of living fire,
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire;

4 JESU, may all confess thy Name,
Thy wondrous love adore,
And seeking thee, their hearts inflame
To seek thee more and more.

5 Thee, JESU, may our voices bless,
Thee may we love alone,
And ever in our lives express
The image of thine own. Amen.

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THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

495 *Anne Steele*, 1760.

'Thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O Lord God of hosts.' Jer. xv. 16.

FATHER of mercies, in thy Word
What endless glory shines!
For ever be thy Name adored
For these celestial lines.

2 Here springs of consolation rise
To cheer the fainting mind,
And thirsting souls receive supplies,
And sweet refreshment find.

3 Here the Redeemer's welcome voice
Spreads heavenly peace around,
And life and everlasting joys
Attend the blissful sound.

4 O may these heavenly pages be
My ever dear delight,
And still new beauties may I see,
And still increasing light.

5 Divine Instructor, gracious LORD,
Be thou for ever near;
Teach me to love thy sacred Word,
And view my SAVIOUR there. Amen.

496 *Rev. John Fawcett*, 1782, *vv.* 1–3; *Anne Steele*, 1760, *v.* 4.

'Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.' Ps. cxix. 105.

HOW precious is the book divine,
By inspiration given:
Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine
To guide our souls to heaven.

2 It sweetly cheers our drooping hearts,
In this dark vale of tears;
Life, light, and joy it still imparts
And quells our rising fears.

3 This lamp shall guide our steps aright
And cheer us on our way,
Till we behold the clearer light
Of an eternal day.

4 Divine Instructor, gracious LORD,
Be thou for ever near;
Teach me to love thy sacred Word
And view my SAVIOUR there. Amen.

497

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1866.

'That ye may be blameless and harmless, . . . in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; holding forth the word of life.' Phil. ii. 15, 16.

O WORD of GOD Incarnate,
O wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky;
We praise thee for the radiance
That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps,
Shines on from age to age.

2 The Church from her dear Master
Received the gift divine,
And still that light she lifteth
O'er all the earth to shine.
It is the golden casket,
Where gems of truth are stored;
It is the heaven-drawn picture
Of CHRIST the living WORD.

3 It floateth like a banner
Before GOD's host unfurled;
It shineth like a beacon
Above the darkling world;
It is the chart and compass
That o'er life's surging sea,
'Mid mists and rocks and quicksands,
Still guide, O CHRIST, to thee.

4 O make thy Church, dear SAVIOUR,
A lamp of burnished gold
To bear before the nations
Thy sure light as of old;
O teach thy wandering pilgrims
By this their path to trace,
Till clouds and darkness ended,
They see thee face to face. Amen.

498

Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1861

'The word of our God shall stand for ever.' Isa. xl. 8.

LORD, thy Word abideth,
And our footsteps guideth;
Who its truth believeth
Light and joy receiveth.

2 When our foes are near us,
Then thy Word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.

3 When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.

4 Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure
By thy Word imparted
To the simple-hearted?

5 Word of mercy, giving
Succour to the living;
Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying!

6 O that we discerning
Its most holy learning,
LORD, may love and fear thee,
Evermore be near thee. Amen.

499

George Keith, 1787.

'Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.' 2 Tim. ii. 19.

HOW firm a foundation, ye saints of the LORD,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
You who unto JESUS for refuge have fled?

2 Fear not, he is with thee; O be not dismayed!
For he is thy GOD, and will still give thee aid;
He'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by his righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 When through the deep waters he calls thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For he will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4 When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
His grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; his only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

5 The soul that on JESUS hath leaned for repose,
He will not, he will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell shall endeavour to shake,
He never will leave and will never forsake. Amen.

PEACE AND JOY

500

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1875.

'Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.' Isa. xxvi. 3.

PEACE, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin?
The Blood of JESUS whispers peace within.

2 Peace, perfect peace, by thronging duties pressed?
To do the will of JESUS, this is rest.

3 Peace, perfect peace, with sorrows surging round?
On JESUS' bosom nought but calm is found.

4 Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far away?
In JESUS' keeping we are safe and they.

5 Peace, perfect peace, our future all unknown?
JESUS we know, and he is on the throne.

6 Peace, perfect peace, death shadowing us and ours?
JESUS has vanquished death and all its powers.

7 It is enough: earth's struggles soon shall cease,
And JESUS call us to heaven's perfect peace. Amen.

501

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1871

'He was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.' St. Mark xvi. 19.

GOLDEN harps are sounding,
Angel voices sing,
Pearly gates are opened,
Opened for the King;
JESUS, King of glory,
JESUS, King of love,
Is gone up in triumph
To his throne above.

All his suffering ended,
Joyfully we sing;
JESUS hath ascended!
Glory to our King.

2 He who came to save us,
He who bled and died,
Now is crowned with glory,
At his FATHER's side.
Never more to suffer,
Never more to die;
JESUS, King of glory,
Has gone up on high.
All his suffering ended.

3 Praying for his children
In that blessèd place,
Calling them to glory,
Sending them his grace,
His bright home preparing,
Faithful ones, for you;
JESUS ever liveth,
Ever loveth too.
All his suffering ended. Amen.

502 *William Chatterton Dix*, 1867.

'All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.' St. John vi. 37.

'COME unto me, ye weary,
And I will give you rest.'
O blessèd voice of JESUS,
Which comes to hearts opprest;
It tells of benediction,
Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that hath no ending,
Of love which cannot cease.

2 'Come unto me, ye wanderers,
And I will give you light.'
O loving voice of JESUS,
Which comes to cheer the night;
Our hearts were filled with sadness,
And we had lost our way;
But morning brings us gladness
And songs the break of day.

3 'Come unto me, ye fainting,
And I will give you life.'
O cheering voice of JESUS,
Which comes to end our strife;
The foe is stern and eager,
The fight is fierce and long;
But thou hast made us mighty,
And stronger than the strong.

4 'And whosoever cometh,
I will not cast him out.'
O welcome voice of JESUS,
Which drives away our doubt;
Which, though we be unworthy
Of love so great and free,
Invites us, very sinners,
To come, dear LORD, to thee. Amen.

503

Rev. H. Bonar, 1846.

'And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.' St. John vi. 35.

I HEARD the voice of JESUS say,
'Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon my breast':
I came to JESUS as I was,
Weary, and worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting-place,
And he has made me glad.

2 I heard the voice of JESUS say,
'Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live':
I came to JESUS, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in him.

3 I heard the voice of JESUS say,
'I am this dark world's Light;
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright':
I looked to JESUS, and I found
In him my Star, my Sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till travelling days are done. Amen.

504

Rev. J. S. B. Monsell, 1861.

'Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.' St. John xv. 15.

REST of the weary,
Joy of the sad,
Hope of the dreary,
Light of the glad,
Home of the stranger,
Strength to the end,
Refuge from danger,
SAVIOUR and Friend.

2 When my feet stumble,
I'll to thee cry;
Crown of the humble,
Cross of the high:
When my steps wander,
Over me bend,
Truer and fonder,
SAVIOUR and Friend.

3 Thee still confessing,
Ever I'll raise
Unto thee blessing,
Glory, and praise:—
All my endeavour,
World without end,
Thine to be ever,
SAVIOUR and Friend. Amen.

505 *Bishop E. H. Bickersteth*, 1860.

'But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.'
Ps. cii. 27.

O GOD, the Rock of Ages,
Who evermore hast been,
What time the tempest rages,
Our dwelling-place serene:
Before thy first creations,
O LORD, the same as now,
To endless generations
The Everlasting thou!

2 Our years are like the shadows
On sunny hills that lie,
Or grasses in the meadows
That blossom but to die:
A sleep, a dream, a story
By strangers quickly told,
An unremaining glory
Of things that soon are old.

3 O thou, who canst not slumber,
Whose light grows never pale,
Teach us aright to number
Our years before they fail.
On us thy mercy lighten,
On us thy goodness rest,
And let thy SPIRIT brighten
The hearts thyself hast blest.

4 LORD, crown our faith's endeavour
With beauty and with grace,
Till, clothed in light for ever,
We see thee face to face:
A joy no language measures;
A fountain brimming o'er;
An endless flow of pleasures;
An ocean without shore. Amen.

506

From 'The Everlasting Mercy', by John Masefield, 1911.

'He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man.' St. Matt. xiii. 37.

O CHRIST who holds the open gate,
O CHRIST who drives the furrow straight,
O CHRIST, the plough, O CHRIST, the laughter
Of holy white birds flying after,

2 Lo, all my heart's field red and torn,
And thou wilt bring the young green corn,
The young green corn divinely springing,
The young green corn for ever singing;

3 And when the field is fresh and fair
Thy blessèd feet shall glitter there,
And we will walk the weeded field,
And tell the golden harvest's yield,

4 The corn that makes the holy bread
By which the soul of man is fed,
The holy bread, the food unpriced,
Thy everlasting mercy, CHRIST. Amen.

507

Rev. Godfrey Thring, 1862.

'And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.' St. Mark iv. 39.

FIERCE raged the tempest o'er the deep,
Watch did thine anxious servants keep,
But thou wast wrapped in guileless sleep,
Calm and still.

2 'Save, LORD, we perish', was their cry,
'O save us in our agony!'
Thy word above the storm rose high,
'Peace, be still.'

3 The wild winds hushed; the angry deep
Sank, like a little child, to sleep;
The sullen billows ceased to leap,
At thy will.

4 So, when our life is clouded o'er,
And storm-winds drift us from the shore,
Say, lest we sink to rise no more,
'Peace, be still.' Amen.

508

Canon Hugh Stowell, 1828.

'And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat.' Exod. xxv. 22.

FROM every stormy wind that blows,
From every swelling tide of woes,
There is a calm, a sure retreat;
'Tis found beneath the mercy-seat.

2 There is a spot where spirits blend,
And friend holds fellowship with friend;
Though sundered far, by faith they meet
Around one common mercy-seat.

3 Ah, whither could we flee for aid,
When tempted, desolate, dismayed?
Or how the hosts of hell defeat,
Had suffering saints no mercy-seat?

4 There, there on eagle wing we soar,
And time and sense seem all no more,
And heaven comes down our souls to greet,
And glory crowns the mercy-seat. Amen.

509

Canon William Bright, 1865.

'Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.' Rev. iv. 11.

AND now the wants are told, that brought
Thy children to thy knee;
Here lingering still, we ask for nought,
But simply worship thee.

2 The hope of heaven's eternal days
  Absorbs not all the heart
That gives thee glory, love, and praise,
  For being what thou art.

3 For thou art GOD, the One, the Same,
  O'er all things high and bright;
And round us, when we speak thy Name,
  There spreads a heaven of light.

4 O wondrous peace, in thought to dwell
  On excellence divine;
To know that nought in man can tell
  How fair thy beauties shine!

5 O thou, above all blessing blest,
  O'er thanks exalted far,
Thy very greatness is a rest
  To weaklings as we are;

6 For when we feel the praise of thee
  A task beyond our powers,
We say, 'A perfect GOD is he,
  And he is fully ours.'

7 All glory to the FATHER be,
  All glory to the SON,
All glory, HOLY GHOST, to thee,
  While endless ages run. Amen.

510

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1740.

'He shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom.' Isa. xl. 11.

JESU, lover of my soul,
  Let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
  While the tempest still is high;
Hide me, O my SAVIOUR, hide,
  Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
  O receive my soul at last.

2 Other refuge have I none,
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me:
All my trust on thee is stayed;
All my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of thy wing.

3 Thou, O CHRIST, art all I want;
More than all in thee I find:
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy Name;
I am all unrighteousness:
False and full of sin I am;
Thou art full of truth and grace.

4 Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound,
Make and keep me pure within:
Thou of life the fountain art,
Freely let me take of thee:
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity. Amen.

511

Rev. John Ellerton, 1870.

'Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.' Ps. xvi. 11.

WHEN the day of toil is done,
When the race of life is run,
FATHER, grant thy wearied one
Rest for evermore.

2 When the strife of sin is stilled,
When the foe within is killed,
Be thy gracious word fulfilled—
Peace for evermore.

3 When the darkness melts away
At the breaking of thy day,
Bid us hail the cheering ray—
Light for evermore.

4 When the heart by sorrow tried,
Feels at length its throbs subside,
Bring us, where all tears are dried,
Joy for evermore.

5 When for vanished days we yearn,
Days that never can return,
Teach us in thy love to learn
Love for evermore.

6 When the breath of life is flown,
When the grave must claim its own,
LORD of life, be ours thy crown,
Life for evermore. Amen.

512 *Tr.* (1862) *from the Greek of St. Anatolius* (*8th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.' St. Matt. xiv. 27.

Ζοφερᾶς τρικυμίας.

FIERCE was the billow wild,
Dark was the night;
Oars laboured heavily,
Foam glimmered white.
Trembled the mariners;
Peril was nigh:
Then said the GOD of GOD,
'Peace: it is I.'

2 Ridge of the mountain wave,
Lower thy crest;
Wail of the tempest wind,
Be thou at rest.
Sorrow can never be,
Darkness must fly,
Where saith the Light of light,
'Peace: it is I.'

3 JESU, Deliverer,
Come thou to me;
Soothe thou my voyaging
Over life's sea;
Thou, when the storm of death
Roars sweeping by,
Whisper, O Truth of truth,
'Peace: it is I.' Amen.

FAITH AND PENITENCE

513 *Anne Richter*, 1834, *and Canon J. H. Gurney*, 1838 *and* 1851.

'Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.' St. John xx. 29.

WE saw thee not when thou didst come
To this poor world of sin and death,
Nor e'er beheld thy cottage home
In that despisèd Nazareth;
But we believe thy footsteps trod
Its streets and plains, thou SON of GOD.

2 We did not see thee lifted high
Amid that wild and savage crew,
Nor heard thy meek, imploring cry,
'Forgive, they know not what they do';
Yet we believe the deed was done,
Which shook the earth and veiled the sun.

3 We stood not by the empty tomb
Where late thy sacred body lay,
Nor sat within that upper room,
Nor met thee in the open way;
But we believe that angels said,
'Why seek the living with the dead?'

4 We did not mark the chosen few,
When thou didst through the clouds ascend,
First lift to heaven their wondering view,
Then to the earth all prostrate bend;
Yet we believe that mortal eyes
Beheld that journey to the skies.

5 And now that thou dost reign on high,
And thence thy waiting people bless,
No ray of glory from the sky
Doth shine upon our wilderness;
But we believe thy faithful Word,
And trust in our redeeming LORD. Amen.

514

Tr. (1875) *from the Greek of Synesius of Cyrene* (*5th cent.*) *by Rev. A. W. Chatfield.*

'Remember me, O Lord, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people: O visit me with thy salvation.' Ps. cvi. 4.

Μνώεο Χριστέ.

LORD JESUS, think on me
And purge away my sin:
From earthborn passions set me free,
And make me pure within.

2 LORD JESUS, think on me,
With many a care oppressed;
Let me thy loving servant be,
And taste thy promised rest.

3 LORD JESUS, think on me,
Nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity
Point thou the heavenly way.

4 LORD JESUS, think on me,
That, when the flood is past,
I may the eternal brightness see,
And share thy joy at last.

5 LORD JESUS, think on me,
That I may sing above
To FATHER, HOLY GHOST, and thee
The songs of praise and love. Amen.

515

Rev. Samuel Medley, 1775.

'I know that my Redeemer liveth.' Job xix. 25.

I KNOW that my Redeemer lives;
O the sweet joy this sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my everliving Head.

2 He lives to bless me with his love,
And still he pleads for me above;
He lives to raise me from the grave,
And me eternally to save.

3 He lives, my kind, wise, constant Friend;
Who still will keep me to the end;
He lives, and while he lives I'll sing,
JESUS, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

4 He lives my mansion to prepare,
And he will bring me safely there;
He lives, all glory to his Name,
JESUS, unchangeably the same. Amen.

516

William Cowper, 1774.

'The mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself.' Eph. i. 9.

GOD moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.

2 Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never-failing skill
He treasures up his bright designs,
And works his sovereign will.

3 Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.

4 Judge not the LORD by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.

5 His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

6 Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vain;
GOD is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain. Amen.

517

Canon J. H. Gurney, 1838.

'We all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.' 2 Cor. iii. 18.

LORD, as to thy dear Cross we flee,
And plead to be forgiven,
So let thy life our pattern be,
And form our souls for heaven.

2 Help us, through good report and ill,
Our daily cross to bear;
Like thee to do our FATHER's will,
Our brethren's griefs to share.

3 Let grace our selfishness expel,
Our earthliness refine,
And kindness in our bosoms dwell
As free and true as thine.

4 If joy shall in thy wisdom fly,
And grief's dark day come on,
We, in our turn, would meekly cry,
FATHER, thy will be done.

5 Should friends misjudge, or foes defame,
Or brethren faithless prove,
Then, like thine own, be all our aim
To conquer them by love.

6 Kept peaceful in the midst of strife,
Forgiving and forgiven,
O may we lead the pilgrim's life,
And follow thee to heaven. Amen.

518

Matthew Bridges, 1843.

'The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.' St. John i. 29.

BEHOLD the Lamb of GOD!
O thou for sinners slain,
Let it not be in vain
That thou hast died:
Thee for my SAVIOUR let me take,
My only refuge let me make
Thy piercèd side.

2 Behold the Lamb of GOD!
All hail, Incarnate WORD,
Thou everlasting LORD,
SAVIOUR most blest;
Fill us with love that never faints,
Grant us with all thy blessèd saints
Eternal rest.

3 Behold the Lamb of GOD!
Worthy is he alone
To sit upon the throne
Of GOD above;
One with the Ancient of all days,
One with the Comforter in praise,
All Light and Love. Amen.

519

Rev. J. H. Newman, 1833.

'In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire.' Ps. lxxviii. 14.

LEAD, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
Lead thou me on;
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead thou me on.
Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene; one step enough for me.

2 I was not ever thus, nor prayed that thou
Shouldst lead me on;
I loved to choose and see my path; but now
Lead thou me on.
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will: remember not past years.

3 So long thy power hath blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on,
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
The night is gone;
And with the morn those angel faces smile
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.
Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 121

520

The Marquis of Lorne, 1877.

'My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.' Ps. cxxi. 2.

UNTO the hills around do I lift up
My longing eyes,
O whence for me shall my salvation come,
From whence arise?
From GOD the LORD doth come my certain aid,
From GOD the LORD, who heaven and earth
hath made.

2 He will not suffer that thy foot be moved:
Safe shalt thou be.
No careless slumber shall his eyelids close,
Who keepeth thee.
Behold our GOD, the LORD, he slumbereth ne'er,
Who keepeth Israel in his holy care.

3 JEHOVAH is himself thy keeper true,
Thy changeless shade;
JEHOVAH thy defence on thy right hand
Himself hath made.
And thee no sun by day shall ever smite,
No moon shall harm thee in the silent night.

4 From every evil shall he keep thy soul,
From every sin:
JEHOVAH shall preserve thy going out,
Thy coming in.
Above thee watching, he whom we adore
Shall keep thee henceforth, yea, for evermore.
Amen.

521

Rev. William H. Bathurst, 1831.

'And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.'
St. Luke xvii. 5.

O FOR a faith that will not shrink
Though pressed by many a foe;
That will not tremble on the brink
Of poverty or woe;—

2 That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chastening rod:
But, in the hour of grief or pain,
Can lean upon its GOD;—

3 A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without;
That when in danger knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt;—

4 A faith that keeps the narrow way
Till life's last spark is fled,
And with a pure and heavenly ray
Lights up a dying bed.

5 LORD, give me such a faith as this,
And then, whate'er may come,
I taste e'en now the hallowed bliss
Of an eternal home. Amen.

522

Rev. Ray Palmer, 1830.

'From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.' Ps. lxi. 2.

MY faith looks up to thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
SAVIOUR divine:
Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day
Be wholly thine.

2 May thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire:
As thou hast died for me,
O may my love to thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire.

3 While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread,
Be thou my Guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll;
Blest SAVIOUR, then in love
Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul. Amen.

523

Tr. (1740) *from the German of N. L. von Zinzendorf* (1739) *by Rev. John Wesley.*

'I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, . . . for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness.' Isa. lxi. 10.

Christi Blut und Gerechtigkeit.

JESUS, thy Blood and righteousness
My beauty are, my glorious dress;
'Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.

2 Bold shall I stand in thy great day;
For who aught to my charge shall lay?
Fully absolved through these I am
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

3 When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
Even then this shall be all my plea,
JESUS hath lived, hath died, for me.

4 JESUS, be endless praise to thee,
Whose boundless mercy hath for me—
For me a full atonement made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

5 O let the dead now hear thy voice;
Now bid thy banished ones rejoice;
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
JESUS, thy Blood and righteousness. Amen.

524

Lady Lucy E. G. Whitmore, 1824.

'I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee.' St. Luke xv. 18.

FATHER, again in JESUS' Name we meet,
And bow in penitence beneath thy feet;
Again to thee our feeble voices raise,
To sue for mercy, and to sing thy praise.

2 O we would bless thee for thy ceaseless care,
And all thy works from day to day declare:
Is not our life with hourly mercies crowned?
Does not thine arm encircle us around?

3 Alas! unworthy of thy boundless love,
Too oft with careless feet from thee we rove;
But now, encouraged by thy voice, we come,
Returning sinners to a FATHER's home.

4 O by that Name in whom all fulness dwells,
O by that Love which every love excels,
O by that Blood so freely shed for sin,
Open blest mercy's gate, and take us in. Amen.

525

Mary J. Walker, 1864.

'They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever.' Ps. cxxv. 1.

JESUS, I will trust thee, trust thee with my soul;
Guilty, lost, and helpless, thou canst make me whole.
There is none in heaven or on earth like thee:
Thou hast died for sinners—therefore, LORD, for me.

2 JESUS, I will trust thee, Name of matchless worth,
Spoken by the angel at thy wondrous birth;
Written, and for ever, on thy Cross of shame,
Sinners read and worship, trusting in that Name.

3 JESUS, I will trust thee, pondering thy ways,
Full of love and mercy all thine earthly days;
Sick men gathered round thee, sinners sought thine aid,
And on sick and sinful healing hands were laid.

4 JESUS, I will trust thee, trust thy written Word,
Though thy voice of pity I have never heard.
When thy SPIRIT teacheth, to my taste how sweet—
Only may I hearken, sitting at thy feet.

5 JESUS, I will trust thee, trust without a doubt:
Whosoever cometh, thou wilt not cast out;
Faithful is thy promise, precious is thy Blood;
These my soul's salvation, thou my SAVIOUR GOD. Amen.

526

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1854.

'By him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible.' Col. i. 16.

JESUS is GOD: the solid earth,
The ocean broad and bright,
The countless stars, like golden dust,
That strew the skies at night,
The wheeling storm, the dreadful fire,
The pleasant wholesome air,
The summer's sun, the winter's frost,
His own creations were.

2 JESUS is GOD: the glorious bands
Of golden angels sing
Songs of adoring praise to him,
Their Maker and their King.
He was true GOD in Bethlehem's crib,
On Calvary's Cross true GOD;
He who in heaven eternal reigned
In time on earth abode.

3 JESUS is GOD: let sorrow come,
And pain, and every ill,
All are worth while, for all are means
His glory to fulfil;
Worth while to suffer life-long woe
To speak one little word,
If by that 'I believe' we own
The Godhead of our LORD. Amen.

527

From the Marathi of Narayan Vaman Tilak, 1862–1919. *Tr.* (1922) *by Nicol Macnicol.*

'Christ Jesus: . . . being in the form of God, . . . was made in the likeness of men: . . . and became obedient unto death.' Phil. ii. 5, 6, 7, 8.

Śiṣyahī gaṇāyā nahī yogya jo tayālā.

ONE who is all unfit to count
As scholar in thy school,
Thou of thy love hast named a friend—
O kindness wonderful!

2 Thou dwellest in unshadowed light,
All sin and shame above—
That thou shouldst bear our sin and shame,
How can I tell such love?

3 Ah, did not he the heavenly throne
A little thing esteem,
And not unworthy for my sake
A mortal body deem?

4 When in his flesh they drove the nails,
Did he not all endure?
What name is there to fit a life
So patient and so pure?

5 So, Love itself in human form,
For love of me he came;
I cannot look upon his face
For shame, for bitter shame.

6 If there is aught of worth in me,
It comes from thee alone;
Then keep me safe, for so, O LORD,
Thou keepest but thine own. Amen.

528

Charlotte Elliott, 1835.

'Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.' St. John xiii. 1

O THOU, the contrite sinners' Friend,
Who, loving, lov'st them to the end,
On this alone my hopes depend—
That thou wilt plead for me.

2 When, weary in the Christian race,
Far off appears my resting-place,
And, fainting, I mistrust thy grace,
Then, SAVIOUR, plead for me.

3 When I have erred, and gone astray
Afar from thine and wisdom's way,
And see no glimmering, guiding ray,
Still, SAVIOUR, plead for me.

4 When Satan, by my sins made bold,
Strives from thy Cross to loose my hold,
Then with thy pitying arms enfold,
And plead, O plead for me!

5 And when my dying hour draws near,
O'ercast with sorrow, pain, and fear,
Then to my fainting sight appear,
Pleading in heaven for me. Amen.

529

Charlotte Elliott, 1841.

'All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.' St. John vi. 37.

JUST as I am—without one plea,
But that thy Blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee—
O Lamb of GOD, I come.

2 Just as I am—and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,—
To thee, whose Blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come.

3 Just as I am—though tossed about
With many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without—
O Lamb of God, I come.

4 Just as I am—poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,—
Yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.

5 Just as I am—thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve,—
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

6 Just as I am—thy love unknown
Has broken every barrier down,—
Now, to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.

7 Just as I am—of that free love
The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come. Amen.

530

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1867.

'Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.' Rev. iii. 20.

O JESU, thou art standing
Outside the fast-closed door,
In lowly patience waiting
To pass the threshold o'er:
Shame on us, Christian brethren,
His Name and sign who bear,
O shame, thrice shame upon us
To keep him standing there!

2 O JESU, thou art knocking:
And lo! that hand is scarred,
And thorns thy brow encircle,
And tears thy face have marred:
O love that passeth knowledge
So patiently to wait!
O sin that hath no equal
So fast to bar the gate!

3 O JESU, thou art pleading
In accents meek and low,
'I died for you, my children,
And will ye treat me so?'
O LORD, with shame and sorrow
We open now the door:
Dear SAVIOUR, enter, enter,
And leave us never more. Amen.

531

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852

'While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.' 2 Cor. iv. 18.

THE roseate hues of early dawn,
The brightness of the day,
The crimson of the sunset sky,
How fast they fade away!
O for the pearly gates of heaven,
O for the golden floor,
O for the Sun of righteousness
That setteth nevermore!

2 The highest hopes we cherish here,
How fast they tire and faint;
How many a spot defiles the robe
That wraps an earthly saint!
O for a heart that never sins,
O for a soul washed white,
O for a voice to praise our King,
Nor weary day or night!

3 Here faith is ours, and heavenly hope,
And grace to lead us higher;
But there are perfectness and peace,
Beyond our best desire.
O by thy love and anguish, LORD,
O by thy life laid down,
Grant that we fall not from thy grace,
Nor cast away our crown. Amen.

532

Alfred, Lord Tennyson, 1850.

'Lead me in the way everlasting.' Ps. cxxxix. 24.

STRONG SON of GOD, immortal Love,
Whom we, that have not seen thy face,
By faith, and faith alone, embrace,
Believing where we cannot prove;

2 Thou wilt not leave us in the dust;
Thou madest man, he knows not why;
He thinks he was not made to die:
And thou hast made him; thou art just.

3 Thou seemest human and divine,
The highest, holiest manhood, thou:
Our wills are ours, we know not how:
Our wills are ours, to make them thine.

4 Our little systems have their day;
They have their day and cease to be:
They are but broken lights of thee,
And thou, O LORD, art more than they.

5 We have but faith: we cannot know;
For knowledge is of things we see;
And yet we trust it comes from thee,
A beam in darkness: let it grow.

6 Let knowledge grow from more to more,
But more of reverence in us dwell;
That mind and soul, according well,
May make one music as before,

7 But vaster: we are fools and slight,
We mock thee when we do not fear:
But help thy foolish ones to bear;
Help thy vain worlds to bear thy light. Amen.

TRUST AND RESIGNATION

533 *Based on the Greek (8th cent.) by Rev. J. M. Neale, 1862.*

'Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.' St. Matt. xi. 28.

ART thou weary, heavy laden?
Art thou sore distrest?
'Come to me,' saith One, 'and coming
Be at rest!'

2 Hath he marks to lead me to him,
If he be my Guide?
'In his feet and hands are wound-prints,
And his side.'

3 Hath he diadem as Monarch
That his brow adorns?
'Yea, a crown, in very surety,
But of thorns.'

4 If I find him, if I follow,
What his guerdon here?
'Many a sorrow, many a labour,
Many a tear.'

5 If I still hold closely to him,
What hath he at last?
'Sorrow vanquished, labour ended,
Jordan past.'

6 If I ask him to receive me,
Will he say me nay?
'Not till earth, and not till heaven
Pass away.'

7 Finding, following, keeping, struggling,
Is he sure to bless?
'Angels, martyrs, prophets, virgins,
Answer, Yes!' Amen.

534

Rev. John Newton, 1771.

'The Lord is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?' Ps. cxviii. 6.

WHY should I fear the darkest hour,
Or tremble at the tempter's power?
JESUS vouchsafes to be my tower.

2 Though hot the fight, why quit the field?
Why must I either fly or yield,
Since JESUS is my mighty shield?

3 I know not what may soon betide,
Or how my wants shall be supplied;
But JESUS knows, and will provide.

4 Though sin should fill me with distress,
The throne of grace I dare address,
For JESUS is my righteousness.

5 Though faint my prayers, and cold my love,
My steadfast hope shall not remove,
While JESUS intercedes above.

6 Against me earth and hell combine;
But on my side is power divine;
JESUS is all, and he is mine. Amen.

535

Tr. (1841) *from the German of H. S. Oswald* (1826) *by Frances E. Cox.*

'Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.' Ps. xxxvii. 5.

Wem in Leidenstagen.

O LET him whose sorrow
No relief can find,
Trust in GOD, and borrow
Ease for heart and mind.

2 Where the mourner weeping
Sheds the secret tear,
GOD his watch is keeping,
Though none else is near.

3 GOD will never leave thee,
All thy wants he knows,
Feels the pains that grieve thee,
Sees thy cares and woes.

4 Raise thine eyes to heaven
When thy spirits quail,
When, by tempests driven,
Heart and courage fail.

5 When in grief we languish,
He will dry the tear,
Who his children's anguish
Soothes with succour near.

6 All our woe and sadness,
In this world below,
Balance not the gladness
We in heaven shall know.

7 JESU, holy SAVIOUR,
Fill us with thy love,
Crown us with thy favour,
In the realms above. Amen.

536

Joseph Anstice, 1836.

'Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.'
1 Pet. v. 7.

O LORD, how happy should we be
If we could cast our care on thee,
If we from self could rest;
And feel at heart that One above,
In perfect wisdom, perfect love,
Is working for the best.

2 How far from this our daily life,
How oft disturbed by anxious strife,
By sudden wild alarms;
O could we but relinquish all
Our earthly props, and simply fall
On thy almighty arms.

3 Could we but kneel, and cast our load,
E'en while we pray, upon our GOD,
Then rise with lightened cheer;
Sure that the FATHER, who is nigh
To still the famished raven's cry,
Will hear in that we fear.

4 We cannot trust him as we should;
So chafes weak nature's restless mood
To cast its peace away;
But birds and flowerets round us preach,
All, all the present evil teach
Sufficient for the day.

5 LORD, make these faithless hearts of ours
Such lessons learn from birds and flowers;
Make them from self to cease;
Leave all things to a FATHER's will,
And taste, before him lying still,
E'en in affliction, peace. Amen.

537

Tr. (1849) *from the Latin* (18*th cent.*)
by Rev. E. Caswall.

'Ye shall find rest for your souls.' Jer. vi. 16.

Quicumque certum quaeritis.

ALL ye who seek for sure relief
In trouble and distress,
Whatever sorrow vex the mind,
Or guilt the soul oppress,

2 JESUS, who gave himself for you
Upon the Cross to die,
Opens to you his sacred heart;
O to that heart draw nigh.

3 Ye hear how kindly he invites;
Ye hear his words so blest;
'All ye that labour come to me,
And I will give you rest.'

4 O JESUS, Joy of saints on high,
Thou Hope of sinners here,
Attracted by those loving words
To thee we lift our prayer.

5 Wash thou our wounds in that dear Blood
Which from thy heart doth flow;
A new and contrite heart on all
Who cry to thee bestow. Amen.

538

Sir John Bowring, 1825

'The God of love and peace shall be with you.'
2 Cor. xiii. 11.

GOD is love; his mercy brightens
All the path in which we rove;
Bliss he wakes and woe he lightens:
GOD is wisdom, GOD is love.

2 Chance and change are busy ever;
Man decays and ages move;
But his mercy waneth never:
GOD is wisdom, GOD is love.

2 E'en the hour that darkest seemeth
Will his changeless goodness prove;
From the mist his brightness streameth:
GOD is wisdom, GOD is love.

4 He with earthly cares entwineth
Hope and comfort from above;
Everywhere his glory shineth:
GOD is wisdom, GOD is love. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 23

539 *Rev. Sir H. W. Baker*, 1868.

'The Lord is my shepherd; . . . I will fear no evil.'
Ps. xxiii. 1, 4.

THE King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever.

2 Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear LORD, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy Cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight:
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house for ever. Amen.

540

Rev. H. F. Lyte, 1824.

'Then said Jesus . . . If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.' St. Matt. xvi. 24.

JESUS, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shalt be:
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought, or hoped, or known:
Yet how rich is my condition!
GOD and heaven are still my own.

2 Man may trouble and distress me,
'Twill but drive me to thy breast;
Life with trials hard may press me,
Heaven will bring me sweeter rest.
O 'tis not in grief to harm me,
While thy love is left to me;
O 'twere not in joy to charm me,
Were that joy unmixed with thee.

3 Take, my soul, thy full salvation;
Rise o'er sin, and fear, and care;
Joy to find in every station
Something still to do or bear:
Think what SPIRIT dwells within thee;
What a FATHER's smile is thine;
What a SAVIOUR died to win thee;
Child of heaven, shouldst thou repine?

4 Haste then on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer;
Heaven's eternal day's before thee,
GOD's own hand shall guide thee there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
Swift shall pass thy pilgrim days;
Hope soon change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise. Amen.

541

Tr. (1739) *from the German of Rev. Paul Gerhardt* (1653) *by Rev. John Wesley.*

'Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.' 1 Pet. iv. 19.

Befiehl du deine Wege.

COMMIT thou all thy ways
And griefs into his hands,
To his sure truth and tender care,
Who earth and heaven commands;

2 Who points the clouds their course,
Whom winds and seas obey;
He shall direct thy wandering feet,
He shall prepare thy way.

3 Thou on the LORD rely,
So safe shalt thou go on;
Fix on his work thy steadfast eye,
So shall thy work be done.

4 Leave to his sovereign sway
To choose and to command;
So shalt thou wondering own his way
How wise, how strong his hand.

5 Thou seest our weakness, LORD,
Our hearts are known to thee;
O lift thou up the sinking hand,
Confirm the feeble knee!

6 Let us in life, in death,
Thy steadfast truth declare,
And publish with our latest breath
Thy love and guardian care. Amen.

542

Charlotte Elliott, 1834.

'He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.' St. Matt. xxvi. 42.

MY GOD, my FATHER, while I stray,
Far from my home, on life's rough way,
O teach me from my heart to say,
Thy will be done.

2 Though dark my path and sad my lot,
Let me be still and murmur not;
Or breathe the prayer divinely taught,
Thy will be done.

3 What though in lonely grief I sigh
For friends beloved no longer nigh,
Submissive still would I reply,
Thy will be done.

4 If thou should'st call me to resign
What most I prize, it ne'er was mine;
I only yield thee what is thine;
Thy will be done.

5 Let but my fainting heart be blest
With thy sweet SPIRIT for its guest,
My GOD, to thee I leave the rest—
Thy will be done.

6 Renew my will from day to day,
Blend it with thine, and take away
All that now makes it hard to say,
Thy will be done.

7 Then, when on earth I breathe no more
The prayer oft mixed with tears before,
I'll sing upon a happier shore,
Thy will be done. Amen.

543

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1742.

'A new heart also will I give you.' Ezek. xxxvi. 26.

O FOR a heart to praise my GOD,
A heart from sin set free;
A heart that's sprinkled with the Blood
So freely shed for me:

2 A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
My great Redeemer's throne;
Where only CHRIST is heard to speak,
And where he reigns alone:

3 A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
Believing, true, and clean,
Which neither life nor death can part
From him that dwells within:

4 A heart in every thought renewed,
And full of love divine;
Perfect, and right, and pure, and good,
A copy, LORD, of thine.

5 Thy nature, gracious LORD, impart,
Come quickly from above;
Write thy new Name upon my heart,
Thy new best Name of Love. Amen.

544

J. G. Whittier, 1872.

'That we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.' 1 Tim. ii. 2.

DEAR LORD and FATHER of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways!
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind;
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise.

2 In simple trust like theirs who heard
Beside the Syrian sea
The gracious calling of the LORD,
Let us, like them, without a word
Rise up and follow thee.

3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where JESUS knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love!

4 Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease:
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace.

5 Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm! Amen.

545

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848.

'But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.' Rom. v. 8.

THERE is a green hill far away,
Outside a city wall,
Where the dear LORD was crucified,
Who died to save us all.

2 We may not know, we cannot tell
What pains he had to bear,
But we believe it was for us
He hung and suffered there.

3 He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good,
That we might go at last to heaven,
Saved by his precious Blood.

4 There was no other good enough
To pay the price of sin,
He only could unlock the gate
Of heaven, and let us in.

5 O dearly, dearly has he loved,
And we must love him too,
And trust in his redeeming Blood,
And try his works to do. Amen.

546

Rev. H. Bonar, 1857.

'Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness . . . make thy way straight before my face.' Ps. v. 8.

THY way, not mine, O LORD,
However dark it be:
Lead me by thine own hand,
Choose out the path for me.

2 Smooth let it be or rough,
It will be still the best;
Winding or straight, it leads
Right onward to thy rest.

3 I dare not choose my lot;
I would not, if I might;
Choose thou for me, my GOD;
So shall I walk aright.

4 The kingdom that I seek
Is thine: so let the way
That leads to it be thine,
Else I must surely stray.

5 Take thou my cup, and it
With joy or sorrow fill,
As best to thee may seem;
Choose thou my good and ill.

6 Choose thou for me my friends,
My sickness or my health;
Choose thou my cares for me,
My poverty or wealth.

7 Not mine, not mine the choice
In things or great or small;
Be thou my guide, my strength,
My wisdom, and my all. Amen.

Paraphrase of PSALM 23

547

Francis Rous, 1650.

'I will fear no evil: for thou art with me.' Ps. xxiii. 4.

THE LORD's my Shepherd, I'll not want,
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

2 My soul he doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
Even for his own Name's sake.

3 Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For thou art with me; and thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

4 My table thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in GOD's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be. Amen.

548

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1744.

'And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts.' Haggai ii. 7.

COME, thou long-expected JESUS,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in thee.

2 Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art
Dear Desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

3 Born thy people to deliver;
Born a Child and yet a King;
Born to reign in us for ever;
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

4 By thine own eternal SPIRIT
Rule in all our hearts alone:
By thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne. Amen.

CHRISTIAN CHARACTER

549 *Rev. J. S. B. Monsell*, 1863.

'Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.' 1 Tim. vi. 12.

FIGHT the good fight with all thy might,
CHRIST is thy strength, and CHRIST thy right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

2 Run the straight race through GOD'S good grace,
Lift up thine eyes, and seek his face;
Life with its way before us lies,
CHRIST is the path, and CHRIST the prize.

3 Cast care aside, lean on thy Guide;
His boundless mercy will provide;
Trust, and the trusting soul shall prove
CHRIST is its life, and CHRIST its love.

4 Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near,
He changeth not, and thou art dear;
Only believe, and thou shalt see
That CHRIST is all in all to thee. Amen.

550

Adelaide M. Plumptre, 1908.

'Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.' 1 Tim. v. 22.

KEEP thyself pure! CHRIST's soldier, hear,
Through life's loud strife the call rings clear.
Thy Captain speaks: his word obey;
So shall thy strength be as thy day.

2 Keep thyself pure! When lusts assail,
When flesh is strong and spirit frail,
Fight on—a fadeless crown thy meed—
Thy body as thy captive lead.

3 Keep thyself pure! Thrice blessèd he
Whose heart from taint of sin is free.
His feet shall stand where saints have trod;
He with rapt eyes shall see his GOD.

4 Keep thyself pure! For he who died,
Himself for thy sake sanctified.
Then hear him speaking from the skies,
And victor o'er temptation rise.

5 O HOLY SPIRIT, keep us pure,
Grant us thy strength when sins allure;
Our bodies are thy temple, LORD;
Be thou in thought and act adored. Amen.

551

Bishop R. Heber, 1811; *revised*, 1827.

'I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon.' Hosea xiv. 5.

BY cool Siloam's shady rill
How sweet the lily grows!
How sweet the breath beneath the hill
Of Sharon's dewy rose!

2 Lo, such the child whose early feet
The paths of peace have trod;
Whose secret heart with influence sweet
Is upward drawn to GOD.

3 By cool Siloam's shady rill
The lily must decay;
The rose that blooms beneath the hill
Must shortly fade away.

4 O thou, whose infant feet were found
Within thy FATHER's shrine,
Whose years, with changeless virtue crowned,
Were all alike divine:

5 Dependent on thy bounteous breath,
We seek thy grace alone,
In childhood, manhood, age, and death,
To keep us still thine own. Amen.

552

Rev. P. Doddridge, 1755.

'Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.' St. Luke xii. 37.

YE servants of the LORD,
Each in his office wait,
Observant of his heavenly word,
And watchful at his gate.

2 Let all your lamps be bright,
And trim the golden flame:
Gird up your loins, as in his sight,
For aweful is his Name.

3 Watch; 'tis your LORD's command,
And while we speak, he's near;
Mark the first signal of his hand,
And ready all appear.

4 O happy servant he,
In such a posture found!
He shall his LORD with rapture see,
And be with honour crowned.

5 CHRIST shall the banquet spread
With his own royal hand,
And raise that faithful servant's head
Amid the angelic band. Amen.

553

Thomas Hughes, 1859.

'Thy law is the truth.' Ps. cxix. 142.

O GOD of truth, whose living word
Upholds whate'er hath breath,
Look down on thy creation, LORD,
Enslaved by sin and death.

2 Set up thy standard, LORD, that they
Who claim a heavenly birth
May march with thee to smite the lies
That vex thy ransomed earth.

3 Ah! would we join that blest array,
And follow in the might
Of him, the Faithful and the True,
In raiment clean and white?

4 Then, GOD of truth, for whom we long—
Thou who wilt hear our prayer—
Do thine own battle in our hearts,
And slay the falsehood there.

5 Yea, come! then tried as in the fire,
From every lie set free,
Thy perfect truth shall dwell in us,
And we shall live in thee. Amen.

554

Rev. John Keble, 1818.

'Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.'
St. Matt. v. 8.

BLEST are the pure in heart,
For they shall see our GOD;
The secret of the LORD is theirs,
Their soul is CHRIST's abode.

2 The LORD, who left the heavens
Our life and peace to bring,
To dwell in lowliness with men,
Their Pattern and their King;

3 Still to the lowly soul
He doth himself impart,
And for his dwelling and his throne
Chooseth the pure in heart.

4 LORD, we thy presence seek;
May ours this blessing be;
Give us a pure and lowly heart,
A temple meet for thee. Amen.

555

Rev. John Fawcett, 1782.

'And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.' Acts iv. 32.

BLEST be the tie that binds
Our hearts in JESUS' love;
The fellowship of Christian minds
Is like to that above.

2 Before our FATHER's throne
We pour our ardent prayers:
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

3 We share each other's woes,
Each other's burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

4 When for a while we part,
This thought will soothe our pain;
That we shall still be joined in heart,
And one day meet again.

5 One glorious hope revives
Our courage by the way;
While each in expectation lives,
And longs to see the day,

6 When from all toil and pain,
And sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity. Amen.

556

Rev. Robert M. Millman, 1908.

'Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?' 1 Cor. iii. 16.

TEMPLE of GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT,
Not my own, this human frame,
Purchased by my SAVIOUR'S merit
For the glory of his Name—
Not my own—
For the glory of his Name.

2 Temple of GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT,
Temple builded for my GOD,
Not for self and flesh to mar it,
Spotless keep his fair abode—
Not my own—
Spotless keep his fair abode.

3 SAVIOUR, give me of thy SPIRIT,
Holiness I crave from thee;
Thine own beauty, let me wear it,
Clothe me in thy purity—
Not my own—
Clothe me in thy purity. Amen.

557

Canon Percy Dearmer, 1906.

'By the power of the Spirit of God.' Rom. xv. 19.

FATHER, who on man dost shower
Gifts of plenty from thy dower,
To thy people give the power
All thy gifts to use aright.

2 Give pure happiness in leisure,
Temperance in every pleasure,
Seemly use of earthly treasure,
Bodies clean and spirits bright.

3 Lift from this and every nation
All that brings us degradation;
Quell the forces of temptation;
Put thine enemies to flight.

4 Be with us, thy strength supplying,
That with energy undying,
Every foe of man defying,
We may rally to the fight.

5 Thou who art our Captain ever
Lead us on to great endeavour;
May thy Church the world deliver,
Give us wisdom, courage, might.

6 FATHER, who hast sought and found us,
SON of GOD, whose love has bound us,
HOLY SPIRIT, in us, round us,
Hear us, Godhead infinite. Amen.

558

Rev. George Duffield, 1858.

'Stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.'
1 Cor. xvi. 13.

STAND up, stand up, for JESUS,
Ye soldiers of the Cross;
Lift high his royal banner,
It must not suffer loss:
From victory unto victory
His army he shall lead;
Till every foe is vanquished,
And CHRIST is LORD indeed.

2 Stand up, stand up, for JESUS;
The trumpet call obey;
Forth to the mighty conflict
In this his glorious day:
Ye that are men now serve him
Against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger,
And strength to strength oppose.

3 Stand up, stand up, for JESUS;
Stand in his strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own:
Put on the gospel armour,
And watching unto prayer,
Where duty calls, or danger,
Be never wanting there.

4 Stand up, stand up, for JESUS;
The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle,
The next the victor's song:
To him that overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of glory
Shall reign eternally. Amen.

559

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1881.

'Kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.'
1 Peter i. 5.

O LORD, our strength in weakness,
We pray to thee for grace,
For power to fight the battle,
For speed to run the race;
When thy baptismal waters
Were poured upon our brow,
We then were made thy children,
And pledged our earliest vow.

2 CHRIST with his own Blood bought us,
And made the purchase sure;
His are we; may he keep us
Sober, and chaste, and pure.
He, GOD in Man, has carried
Our nature up to Heaven;
And thence the HOLY SPIRIT
To dwell in us has given.

3 The pure in heart are blessèd,
For they shall see the LORD,
For ever and for ever
By seraphim adored;
And they shall drink the pleasures,
Such as no tongue can tell,
From the clear crystal river,
And Life's eternal well.

4 Sing therefore to the FATHER,
Who sent the SON in love;
And sing to GOD the SAVIOUR,
Who leads to realms above;
Sing we with saints and angels,
Before the heavenly throne,
To GOD the HOLY SPIRIT;
Sing to the THREE in ONE. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:

259 Go forward, Christian soldier.
274 Soldiers of the Cross, arise.
534 Why should I fear the darkest hour.
566 Through the night of doubt and sorrow.
642 Yield not to temptation.
777 Rescue the perishing.

THE CHURCH

560 *Rev. John Newton*, 1779.

'The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.'
1 Thess. v. 28.

MAY the grace of CHRIST our SAVIOUR,
And the FATHER's boundless love,
With the HOLY SPIRIT's favour,
Rest upon us from above.

2 Thus may we abide in union
With each other and the LORD,
And possess in sweet communion
Joys which earth can not afford. Amen.

561

Dean E. H. Plumptre, 1889.

'There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism.' Eph. iv. 4, 5.

THY hand, O GOD, has guided
Thy flock from age to age;
The wondrous tale is written,
Full clear, on every page;
Our fathers owned thy goodness,
And we their deeds record;
And both of this bear witness,
One Church, one Faith, one LORD.

2 Thy heralds brought glad tidings
To greatest, as to least;
They bade men rise, and hasten
To share the great King's feast;
And this was all their teaching,
In every deed and word,
To all alike proclaiming
One Church, one Faith, one LORD.

*3 When shadows thick were falling,
And all seemed sunk in night,
Thou, LORD, didst send thy servants,
Thy chosen sons of light.
On them and on thy people
Thy plenteous grace was poured,
And this was still their message,
One Church, one Faith, one LORD.

*4 Through many a day of darkness,
Through many a scene of strife,
The faithful few fought bravely,
To guard the nation's life.
Their gospel of redemption,
Sin pardoned, man restored,
Was all in this enfolded,
One Church, one Faith, one LORD.

5 And we, shall we be faithless?
Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the conflict,
And cast away our crown?
Not so: in GOD's deep counsels
Some better thing is stored;
We will maintain, unflinching,
One Church, one Faith, one LORD.

6 Thy mercy will not fail us,
Nor leave thy work undone;
With thy right hand to help us,
The victory shall be won;
And then, by men and angels,
Thy Name shall be adored,
And this shall be their anthem,
One Church, one Faith, one LORD. Amen.

562

Rev. J. W. Chadwick, 1864.

'Finally, be ye all of one mind.' 1 Peter iii. 8.

ETERNAL Ruler of the ceaseless round
Of circling planets singing on their way;
Guide of the nations from the night profound
Into the glory of the perfect day;
Rule in our hearts, that we may ever be
Guided and strengthened and upheld by thee.

2 We are of thee, the children of thy love,
The brothers of thy well-belovèd SON;
Descend, O HOLY SPIRIT, like a dove
Into our hearts, that we may be as one:
As one with thee, to whom we ever tend;
As one with him, our Brother and our Friend.

3 We would be one in hatred of all wrong,
One in our love of all things sweet and fair,
One with the joy that breaketh into song,
One with the grief that trembleth into prayer,
One in the power that makes the children free
To follow truth, and thus to follow thee.

*4 O clothe us with thy heavenly armour, LORD,
Thy trusty shield, thy sword of love divine;
Our inspiration be thy constant word;
We ask no victories that are not thine:
Give or withhold, let pain or pleasure be;
Enough to know that we are serving thee.
Amen.

563

Rev. S. J. Stone, 1868.

'And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.' Col. i. 18.

THE Church's one foundation
Is JESUS CHRIST her LORD;
She is his new creation
By water and the Word:
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy Bride;
With his own Blood he bought her,
And for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One LORD, one faith, one birth,
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy Food,
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppress,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distrest:
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, 'How long?'
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

4 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth hath union
With GOD the THREE in ONE,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
LORD, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with thee. Amen.

564

Rev. Henry Jenner, 1870.

'That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.' St. John xvii. 21.

JESUS, thou hast willed it,
That thy Church should be
One in faith and spirit,
Ever one in thee.
We the cross are bearing,
Once on JESUS laid;
We the prayer are praying,
That our Master prayed.
JESUS, thou hast willed it,
That thy Church should be
One in faith and spirit,
Ever one in thee.

2 Though the time be distant,
Still we watch and pray,
E'en though faint and weary,
Waiting for the day;

When the Church uniting,
In one host shall fight,
'Gainst the power of darkness
In the LORD's own might.

JESUS, thou hast willed it.

3 Thou, our heavenly Master,
Bid contentions cease;
Thou, true Prince of Salem,
Give thy children peace;
Peace from GOD the FATHER,
Peace from GOD the SON,
Peace from GOD the SPIRIT,
From the THREE in ONE.

JESUS, thou hast willed it.

4 When the fight is over,
When the strife is done,
When the world is vanquished
By the Church made one;
East and west together
Joining hand in hand,
Lead thy people onward
To the pleasant land.

JESUS, thou hast willed it.

5 Praise we GOD the FATHER,
Praise the SON who died,
Praise him who doth ever
In the Church abide;
Praise through endless ages,
In that Heaven be done,
Where the THREE bear record,
And the THREE are ONE.

JESUS, thou hast willed it. Amen.

565

John Oxenham, 1908.

'As the body is one, and hath many members, . . . so also is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body.' 1 Cor. xii. 12, 13.

IN CHRIST there is no East or West,
In him no South or North,
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

2 In him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find,
His service is the golden cord
Close-binding all mankind.

3 Join hands, then, brothers of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be;
Who serves my FATHER as a son
Is surely kin to me.

4 In CHRIST now meet both East and West,
In him meet South and North,
All Christly souls are one in him,
Throughout the whole wide earth. Amen.

566

Tr. (1867) *from the Danish of B. S. Ingemann* (1825) *by Rev. S. Baring-Gould.*

'There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling.' Eph. iv. 4.

Igjennem Nat og Trængsel.

THROUGH the night of doubt and sorrow
Onward goes the pilgrim band,
Singing songs of expectation,
Marching to the Promised Land.

2 Clear before us through the darkness
Gleams and burns the guiding Light;
Brother clasps the hand of brother,
Stepping fearless through the night.

3 One the light of GOD'S own presence
O'er his ransomed people shed,
Chasing far the gloom and terror,
Brightening all the path we tread:

4 One the object of our journey,
One the faith which never tires,
One the earnest looking forward,
One the hope our GOD inspires:

5 One the strain that lips of thousands
Lift as from the heart of one;
One the conflict, one the peril,
One the march in GOD begun:

6 One the gladness of rejoicing
On the far eternal shore,
Where the One Almighty FATHER
Reigns in love for evermore.

7 Onward, therefore, pilgrim brothers,
Onward with the Cross our aid;
Bear its shame, and fight its battle,
Till we rest beneath its shade.

8 Soon shall come the great awaking,
Soon the rending of the tomb;
Then the scattering of all shadows,
And the end of toil and gloom. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
463 I love thy kingdom, Lord.
618 Glorious things of thee.
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DISCIPLESHIP

567 *Sarum Primer*, 1558.

'He that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. . . . and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.' St. John xiv. 21, 23.

GOD be in my head,
And in my understanding;

2 GOD be in mine eyes,
And in my looking;

3 GOD be in my mouth,
And in my speaking;

4 God be in my heart,
And in my thinking;
5 God be at mine end,
And at my departing.

568

Ancient Irish Hymn. Tr. by Mary Byrne; versified by Eleanor Hull, 1927.

'Be to us instead of eyes.' Numbers x. 31.

Rob tu mo bhoile, a Comdi cride.

BE thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art,—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my Wisdom, thou my true Word;
I ever with thee, thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3 Be thou my battle-shield, sword for the fight;
Be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tower:
Raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

5 High King of heaven, after victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all. Amen.

569

Frederick Mann, 1931.

'Teach me to do thy will.' Ps. cxliii. 10.

MY God, my Father, make me strong,
When tasks of life seem hard and long,
To greet them with this triumph song:
Thy will be done.

2 Draw from my timid eyes the veil,
To show, where earthly forces fail,
Thy power and love must still prevail,
Thy will be done.

3 With confident and humble mind,
Freedom in service I would find,
Praying through every toil assigned,
Thy will be done.

4 Things deemed impossible I dare,
Thine is the call and thine the care,
Thy wisdom shall the way prepare,
Thy will be done.

5 All power is here and round me now,
Faithful I stand in rule and vow,
While 'tis not I, but ever thou:
Thy will be done.

6 Heaven's music chimes the glad days in,
Hope soars beyond death, pain, and sin,
Faith shouts in triumph, Love must win,
Thy will be done. Amen.

570

Rev. J. S. B. Monsell, 1867.

'And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.' Rev. viii. 3.

HOLY off'rings, rich and rare,
Offerings of praise and prayer,
Purer life and purpose high,
Claspèd hands, uplifted eye,
Lowly acts of adoration
To the GOD of our salvation—
On his altar laid we leave them:
CHRIST, present them; GOD, receive them.

2 Promises in sorrow made,
Left, alas, too long unpaid;
Fervent wishes, earnest thought,
Never into action wrought—
Long withheld, we now restore them,
On thy holy altar pour them:
There in trembling faith to leave them,
CHRIST, present them; GOD, receive them.

3 Homage of each humble heart
Ere we from thy house depart;
Worship fervent, deep and high,
Adoration, ecstasy;
All that childlike love can render
Of devotion true and tender—
On thine altar laid we leave them:
CHRIST, present them; GOD, receive them.

4 To the FATHER, and the SON,
And the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Though our mortal weakness raise
Off'rings of imperfect praise,
Yet with hearts bowed down most lowly,
Crying, Holy, Holy, Holy,
On thine altar laid we leave them:
CHRIST, present them; GOD, receive them. Amen.

571

Rev. W. J. Sparrow Simpson, 1887.

'Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.' Heb. xii. 2.

ALL for JESUS—all for JESUS,
This our song shall ever be;
For we have no hope, nor SAVIOUR,
If we have not hope in thee.

2 All for JESUS—thou wilt give us
Strength to serve thee, hour by hour,
None can move us from thy presence,
While we trust thy love and power.

3 All for JESUS—at thine altar
Thou wilt give us sweet content;
There, dear LORD, we shall receive thee
In the solemn sacrament.

4 All for JESUS—thou hast loved us;
All for JESUS—thou hast died;
All for JESUS—thou art with us;
All for JESUS crucified.

5 All for JESUS—all for JESUS—
This the Church's song must be;
Till, at last, her sons are gathered
One in love and one in thee. Amen.

572

Rev. J. E. Bode, 1868.

'If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.' St. John xii. 26.

O JESUS, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou for ever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my Guide.

2 O let me feel thee near me:
The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
The tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But, JESUS, draw thou nearer,
And shield my soul from sin.

3 O JESUS, thou hast promised
To all who follow thee,
That where thou art in glory
There shall thy servant be;

And, JESUS, I have promised
To serve thee to the end!
O give me grace to follow,
My Master and my Friend.

4 O let me see thy footmarks,
And in them plant mine own:
My hope to follow duly
Is in thy strength alone.
O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end;
And then in heaven receive me,
My SAVIOUR and my Friend. Amen.

573

Tr. (1739) *from the German of Rev. J. Scheffler* (1657) *by Rev. John Wesley.*

'I will love thee, O Lord, my strength.' Ps. xviii. 1.

Ich will dich lieben, meine Stärke.

THEE will I love, my strength, my tower,
Thee will I love, my joy, my crown,
Thee will I love with all my power,
In all my works, and thee alone,
Thee will I love till sacred fire
Fills my whole soul with pure desire.

2 I thank thee, uncreated Sun,
That thy bright beams on me have shined;
I thank thee, who hast overthrown
My foes, and healed my wounded mind:
I thank thee, whose enlivening voice
Bids my freed heart in thee rejoice.

3 Uphold me in the doubtful race,
Nor suffer me again to stray;
Strengthen my feet with steady pace
Still to press forward in thy way:
That all my powers, with all their might,
In thy sole glory may unite.

4 Thee will I love, my joy, my crown;
Thee will I love, my LORD, my GOD;
Thee will I love, beneath thy frown
Or smile—thy sceptre or thy rod;
What though my flesh and heart decay,
Thee shall I love in endless day. Amen.

574

Sarah Adams, 184[illegible].

'Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.' Ps. lxxiii. 24.

NEARER, my GOD, to thee,
Nearer to thee;
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me;
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my GOD, to thee,
Nearer to thee.

2 Though like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone;
Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my GOD, to thee,
Nearer to thee.

3 There let the way appear
Steps unto heaven;
All that thou sendest me
In mercy given;
Angels to beckon me
Nearer, my GOD, to thee,
Nearer to thee.

4 Then with my waking thoughts,
Bright with thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs
Bethel I'll raise;

So by my woes to be
Nearer, my GOD, to thee,
Nearer to thee.

5 Or if on joyful wing
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
Upwards I fly,
Still all my song shall be
Nearer, my GOD, to thee,
Nearer to thee. Amen.

575

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1709.

'If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.' Ps. cxxxix. 18.

MY GOD, how endless is thy love;
Thy gifts are every evening new;
And morning mercies from above
Gently distil, like early dew.

2 Thou spread'st the curtains of the night,
Great Guardian of my sleeping hours:
Thy sovereign word restores the light,
And quickens all my slumbering powers.

3 I yield my powers to thy command,
To thee I consecrate my days:
Perpetual blessings from thine hand
Demand perpetual songs of praise. Amen.

576

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874.

'I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.' Rom. xii. 1.

TAKE my life, and let it be
Consecrated, LORD, to thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee.

3 Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from thee.

4 Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will, and make it thine;
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my LORD, I pour
At thy feet its treasure store:
Take myself, and I will be,
Ever, only, all, for thee. Amen.

577

Mary F. Maude, 1847.

'We are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.' Ps. xcv. 7.

THINE for ever:—GOD of love,
Hear us from thy throne above;
Thine for ever may we be,
Here and in eternity.

2 Thine for ever:—O how blest
They who find in thee their rest!
SAVIOUR, Guardian, heavenly Friend,
O defend us to the end.

3 Thine for ever:—LORD of life,
Shield us through our earthly strife:
Thou the life, the truth, the way,
Guide us to the realms of day.

4 Thine for ever:—Shepherd, keep
These thy frail and trembling sheep;
Safe alone beneath thy care,
Let us all thy goodness share.

5 Thine for ever:—thou our guide,
All our wants by thee supplied,
All our sins by thee forgiven,
Lead us, LORD, from earth to heaven. Amen.

578

James Montgomery, 1834.

'But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.' St. Luke xxii. 32.

IN the hour of trial,
JESU, pray for me;
Lest by base denial
I depart from thee:
When thou see'st me waver,
With a look recall,
Nor for fear or favour
Suffer me to fall.

2 With its witching pleasures
Would this vain world charm,
Or its sordid treasures
Spread to work me harm,
Bring to my remembrance
Sad Gethsemane,
Or in darker semblance
Cross-crowned Calvary.

3 If with sore affliction
Thou in love chastise,
Pour thy benediction
On the sacrifice:
Then, upon thine altar
Freely offered up,
Though the flesh may falter,
Faith shall drink the cup.

4 When in dust and ashes
To the grave I sink,
While heaven's glory flashes
O'er the shelving brink,
On thy truth relying
Through that mortal strife,
LORD, receive me dying
To eternal life. Amen.

579

Rev. A. M. Toplady, 1775.

'And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.' 1 Cor. x. 4.

ROCK of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the Blood
From thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure,
Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

2 Not the labours of my hands
Can fulfil thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone,
Thou must save, and thou alone.

3 Nothing in my hand I bring;
Simply to thy Cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress;
Helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly;
Wash me, SAVIOUR, or I die.

4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyelids close in death,
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee. Amen.

580 *Frances Ridley Havergal*, 1858.

'What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?' Ps. cxvi. 12.

THY life was given for me,
Thy Blood, O LORD, was shed,
That I might ransomed be,
And quickened from the dead;
Thy life was given for me;
What have I given for thee?

2 Long years were spent for me
In weariness and woe,
That through eternity
Thy glory I might know;
Long years were spent for me;
Have I spent one for thee?

3 Thy FATHER's home of light,
Thy rainbow-circled throne,
Were left for earthly night,
For wanderings sad and lone;
Yea, all was left for me;
Have I left aught for thee?

4 Thou, LORD, hast borne for me
More than my tongue can tell
Of bitterest agony,
To rescue me from hell;
Thou sufferedst all for me;
What have I borne for thee?

5 And thou hast brought to me
Down from thy home above
Salvation full and free,
Thy pardon and thy love;
Great gifts thou broughtest me;
What have I brought to thee?

6 O let my life be given,
My years for thee be spent;
World-fetters all be riven,
And joy with suffering blent;
Thou gavest thyself for me,
I give myself to thee. Amen.

581

Archdeacon Frederick George Scott, 1894.

'Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.'
1 Peter v. 7.

CAST thy care on JESUS,
Make him now thy Friend,
Tell him all thy troubles,
Trust him to the end;
He is Man and Brother,
He is LORD and GOD,
And the way of sorrows
Is the path he trod.

2 Cast thy care on JESUS,
Nothing is too small
For his vast compassion;
He can feel for all;
In the gloom and darkness
Clasp his living hand,
He will guide and cheer thee
Through the desert land.

3 Cast thy care on JESUS,
Tell him all thy sin,
All thy fierce temptations
And the wrong within;
He himself was tempted,
And he pleads above
For the soul that asketh
Pardon through his love.

4 Cast thy care on JESUS,
What is death to those
Who in deep submission
On his love repose?
But a short step further,
Nearer to his side,
Where thine eyes shall see him
And be satisfied. Amen.

582

William Cowper, 1772.

'He will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths.' Micah iv. 2.

O FOR a closer walk with GOD,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!

2 What peaceful hours I once enjoyed!
How sweet their memory still!
But they have left an aching void
The world can never fill.

3 Return, O holy Dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest:
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.

4 The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from thy throne,
And worship only thee.

5 So shall my walk be close with GOD,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb. Amen.

583

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1875.

'And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.' St. Mark vi. 31.

COME ye yourselves apart and rest awhile,
Weary, I know it, of the press and throng;
Wipe from your brow the sweat and dust of toil,
And in my quiet strength again be strong.

2 Come ye aside from all the world holds dear,
For converse which the world has never known,
Alone with me and with my FATHER here,
With me and with my FATHER, not alone.

3 Come, tell me all that ye have said and done,
Your victories and failures, hopes and fears.
I know how hardly souls are wooed and won:
My choicest wreaths are always wet with tears.

4 Come ye and rest: the journey is too great,
And ye will faint beside the way and sink;
The Bread of life is here for you to eat,
And here for you the Wine of love to drink.

5 Then, fresh from converse with your LORD, return
And work till daylight softens into even:
The brief hours are not lost in which ye learn
More of your Master and his rest in heaven
Amen.

584

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'Abide in me, and I in you.' St. John xv. 4.

Dignare me, O Jesu, rogo te.

JESU, grant me this, I pray,
Ever in thy heart to stay;
Let me evermore abide
Hidden in thy wounded side.

2 If the evil one prepare,
Or the world, a tempting snare,
I am safe when I abide
In thy heart and wounded side.
3 If the flesh, more dangerous still,
Tempt my soul to deeds of ill,
Naught I fear when I abide
In thy heart and wounded side.
4 Death will come one day to me;
JESU, cast me not from thee:
Dying let me still abide
In thy heart and wounded side. Amen.

585

Albert Midlane, 1860.

'O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.' Hab. iii. 2.

REVIVE thy work, O LORD,
Thy mighty arm make bare;
Speak with the voice that wakes the dead,
And make thy people hear.
2 Revive thy work, O LORD,
Disturb this sleep of death;
Quicken the smouldering embers now
By thine almighty breath.
3 Revive thy work, O LORD,
Create soul-thirst for thee;
And hungering for the Bread of life,
O may our spirits be.
4 Revive thy work, O LORD,
Exalt thy precious Name;
And, by the HOLY GHOST sent down,
Our love for thee inflame.
5 Revive thy work, O LORD,
And give refreshing showers;
The glory shall be all thine own,
The blessing, LORD, be ours. Amen.

THE CROSS

586 *v.* 1, *Rev. T. Shepherd*, 1692; *vv.* 2-4, *Archbp. David Williams*, 1908.

'And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.' St. Luke ix. 23.

MUST JESUS bear the Cross alone,
And all the world go free?
No, there's a cross for every one,
And there's a cross for me.

2 How happy now the saints of GOD,
Who once went sorrowing here;
They rest in joy, life's crown is theirs,
They know no pain nor tear.

3 They trod the path the SAVIOUR trod,
They bore the cross he bore;
And none may look to wear the crown
Without the cross before.

4 Then help me, LORD, my cross to bear,
Till death shall set me free,
And so at last obtain my crown,
For there's a crown for me. Amen.

587 *Bishop W. Walsham How*, 1854.

'Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ.' Phil. iii. 8.

LORD JESU, when we stand afar
And gaze upon thy holy Cross,
In love of thee and scorn of self,
O may we count the world as loss!

2 When we behold thy bleeding wounds,
And the rough way that thou hast trod,
Make us to hate the load of sin
That lay so heavy on our GOD.

3 O HOLY LORD, uplifted high,
With outstretched arms in mortal woe,
Embracing in thy wondrous love
The sinful world that lies below;—

4 Give us an ever-living faith
To gaze beyond the things we see;
And in the mystery of thy death
Draw us and all men unto thee. Amen.

588

Sir John Bowring, 1825.

'But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.' Gal. vi. 14.

IN the Cross of CHRIST I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the Cross forsake me;
Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the Cross the radiance streaming
Adds more lustre to the day.

4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the Cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

5 In the Cross of CHRIST I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime. Amen.

589

Rev. C. W. Everest, 1833.

'And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.' St. Luke ix. 23.

TAKE up thy cross, the SAVIOUR said,
If thou wouldst my disciple be;
Deny thyself, the world forsake,
And humbly follow after me.

2 Take up thy cross; let not its weight
Fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
His strength shall bear thy spirit up,
And brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

3 Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame,
Nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
Thy LORD for thee the Cross endured,
To save thy soul from death and hell.

4 Take up thy cross then in his strength,
And calmly every danger brave;
'Twill guide thee to a better home,
And lead to victory o'er the grave.

5 Take up thy cross and follow CHRIST,
Nor think till death to lay it down;
For only he who bears the cross
May hope to wear the glorious crown.

6 To thee, great LORD, the ONE in THREE,
All praise for evermore ascend;
O grant us in our home to see
The heavenly life that knows no end. Amen.

590

Rev. Thomas Kelly, 1820.

'To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.' Rev. iii. 21.

THE head that once was crowned with thorns,
Is crowned with glory now:
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty Victor's brow.

2 The highest place that heaven affords
Is his, is his by right,
The King of kings and LORD of lords,
And heaven's eternal Light.

3 The joy of all who dwell above;
The joy of all below,
To whom he manifests his love
And grants his Name to know.

4 To them the Cross with all its shame,
With all its grace is given;
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.

5 They suffer with their LORD below,
They reign with him above,
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of his love.

6 The Cross he bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to him:
His people's hope, his people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme. Amen.

591

Bishop G. W. Doane, 1824.

'Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.' St. John xiv. 6.

THOU art the Way; to thee alone
From sin and death we flee:
And he who would the FATHER seek
Must seek him, LORD, by thee.

2 Thou art the Truth; thy Word alone
True wisdom can impart;
Thou only canst inform the mind,
And purify the heart.

3 Thou art the Life; the rending tomb
Proclaims thy conquering arm;
And those who put their trust in thee
Nor death nor hell shall harm.

4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life;
Grant us that Way to know,
That Truth to keep, that Life to win
Whose joys eternal flow. Amen.

592

Rev. William H. Bathurst, 1831.

'To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.' Col. i. 27.

O SAVIOUR, may we never rest
Till thou art formed within,
Till thou hast calmed our troubled breast,
And crushed the power of sin.

2 O may we gaze upon thy Cross,
Until the wondrous sight
Makes earthly treasures seem but dross,
And earthly sorrows light:

3 Until, released from carnal ties,
Our spirit upward springs,
And sees true peace above the skies,
True joy in heavenly things.

4 There as we gaze, may we become
United, LORD, to thee,
And, in a fairer, happier home,
Thy perfect beauty see. Amen.

593

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1707.

'But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.' Phil. iii. 7.

WHEN I survey the wondrous Cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, LORD, that I should boast,
Save in the Cross of CHRIST, my GOD;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his Blood.

3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. Amen.

594

Rev. Thomas Kelly, 1815.

'Glory, . . . in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.'
Gal. vi. 14.

WE sing the praise of him who died,
Of him who died upon the Cross:
The sinner's hope let men deride:
For this we count the world but loss.

2 Inscribed upon the Cross we see
In shining letters, GOD is Love:
He bears our sins upon the Tree:
He brings us mercy from above.

3 The Cross—it takes our guilt away;
It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day,
And sweetens every bitter cup.

4 It makes the coward spirit brave,
And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
It takes its terror from the grave,
And gilds the bed of death with light.

5 The balm of life, the cure of woe,
The measure and the pledge of love,
The sinners' refuge here below,
The angels' theme in heaven above. Amen.

595

Sidney Lanier, 1880.

'Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the Lord.' 1 Chron. xvi. 33.

INTO the woods my Master went,
Clean forspent, forspent;
Into the woods my Master came,
Forspent with love and shame.
But the olives they were not blind to him,
The little grey leaves were kind to him,
The thorn-tree had a mind to him,
When into the woods he came.

2 Out of the woods my Master went,
And he was well content;
Out of the woods my Master came,
Content with death and shame.
When death and shame would woo him last,
From under the trees they drew him last,
'Twas on a tree they slew him last,
When out of the woods he came. Amen.

596

Dean Samuel Crossman, 1664.

'Singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.' Eph. v. 19.

MY song is love unknown,
My SAVIOUR's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown,
That they might lovely be.
O who am I,
That for my sake
My LORD should take
Frail flesh, and die?

2 He came from his blest throne,
Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for CHRIST would know.

But O, my friend,
My friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!

3 Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their king.
Then 'Crucify!'
Is all their breath,
And for his death
They thirst and cry.

4 Why, what hath my LORD done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
Themselves displease,
And 'gainst him rise.

5 They rise, and needs will have
My dear LORD made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
To suffering goes,
That he his foes
From thence might free.

6 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine;
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like thine.
This is my Friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend. Amen.

GOD IN NATURE

597

Mary S. Edgar, 1925.

'The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee.' Isa. lx. 13.

GOD, who touchest earth with beauty,
Make my heart anew;
With thy SPIRIT re-create me,
Pure, and strong, and true.

2 Like thy springs and running waters,
Make me crystal pure;
Like thy rocks of towering grandeur,
Make me strong and sure.

3 Like thy dancing waves in sunlight,
Make me glad and free;
Like the straightness of the pine trees
Let me upright be.

4 Like the arching of the heavens
Lift my thoughts above,
Turn my dreams to noble action—
Ministries of love.

5 GOD, who touchest earth with beauty,
Make my heart anew;
Keep me ever by thy SPIRIT,
Pure, and strong, and true. Amen

598

F. S. Pierpoint, 1864.

'He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.' Ps. xxxiii. 5.

FOR the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,

LORD of all, to thee we raise
This our grateful psalm of praise.

2 For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light,
Lord of all, to thee we raise.

3 For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
Pleasures pure and undefiled,
Lord of all, to thee we raise.

4 For thy Church that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to thee we raise. Amen.

599

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1871.

'Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun.' Eccles. xi. 7.

SUMMER suns are glowing
Over land and sea,
Happy light is flowing,
Bountiful and free.
Everything rejoices
In the mellow rays,
All earth's thousand voices
Swell the psalm of praise.

2 God's free mercy streameth
Over all the world,
And his banner gleameth,
Everywhere unfurled.
Broad and deep and glorious
As the heaven above,
Shines in might victorious
His eternal love.

3 LORD, upon our blindness
Thy pure radiance pour;
For thy lovingkindness
Make us love thee more.
And when clouds are drifting
Dark across our sky,
Then, the veil uplifting,
FATHER, be thou nigh.

4 We will never doubt thee,
Though thou veil thy light:
Life is dark without thee;
Death with thee is bright.
Light of Light! shine o'er us
On our pilgrim way,
Go thou still before us
To the endless day. Amen.

600

Rev. Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901.

'The world is mine, and the fulness thereof.' Ps. l. 12.

THIS is my FATHER's world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my FATHER's world.
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
His hand the wonders wrought.

2 This is my FATHER's world;
The birds their carols raise;
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my FATHER's world;
He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.

3 This is my FATHER's world,
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
GOD is the Ruler yet.
This is my FATHER's world,
The battle is not done,
JESUS, who died, shall be satisfied,
And earth and heaven be one. Amen.

601

Frances W. Wile, 1910.

'Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.' Ps. xix. 2.

ALL beautiful the march of days, as seasons come and go;
The hand that shaped the rose hath wrought the crystal of the snow;
Hath sent the hoary frost of heaven, the flowing waters sealed,
And laid a silent loveliness on hill and wood and field.

2 O'er white expanses sparkling pure the radiant morns unfold;
The solemn splendours of the night burn brighter through the cold;
Life mounts in every throbbing vein, love deepens round the hearth,
And clearer sounds the angel-hymn, 'Good-will to men on earth.'

3 O thou from whose unfathomed law the year in beauty flows,
Thyself the vision passing by in crystal and in rose,
Day unto day doth utter speech, and night to night proclaim,
In ever changing words of light, the wonder of thy Name. Amen.

602

Joseph Addison, 1712.

'The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.' Ps. xix. 1.

THE spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,
Their great Original proclaim.
The unwearied sun from day to day
Doth his Creator's power display,
And publishes to every land
The work of an almighty hand.

2 Soon as the evening shades prevail,
The moon takes up the wondrous tale,
And nightly to the listening earth
Repeats the story of her birth.
While all the stars that round her burn,
And all the planets in their turn,
Confirm the tidings, as they roll,
And spread the truth from pole to pole.

3 What though in solemn silence all
Move round the dark terrestrial ball,
What though no real voice, nor sound,
Amidst their radiant orbs be found;
In reason's ear they all rejoice,
And utter forth a glorious voice,
For ever singing, as they shine,
'The hand that made us is divine.' Amen.

603

Rev. John Keble, 1827.

'For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse.' Rom. i. 20.

THERE is a book, who runs may read,
Which heavenly truth imparts,
And all the lore its scholars need,
Pure eyes and Christian hearts.

2 The works of GOD above, below,
Within us and around,
Are pages in that book, to show
How GOD himself is found.

3 The glorious sky, embracing all,
Is like the Maker's love,
Wherewith encompassed, great and small
In peace and order move.

4 The moon above, the Church below,
A wondrous race they run;
But all their radiance, all their glow,
Each borrows of its Sun.

*5 The SAVIOUR lends the light and heat
That crown his holy hill;
The saints, like stars, around his seat
Perform their courses still.

*6 The dew of heaven is like thy grace,
It steals in silence down;
But where it lights, the favoured place
By richest fruits is known.

*7 One Name, above all glorious names
With its ten thousand tongues
The everlasting sea proclaims,
Echoing angelic songs.

*8 The raging fire, the roaring wind
Thy boundless power display;
But in the gentler breeze we find
Thy SPIRIT's viewless way.

9 Two worlds are ours: 'tis only sin
Forbids us to descry
The mystic heaven and earth within
Plain as the sea and sky.

10 Thou who hast given me eyes to see
And love this sight so fair,
Give me a heart to find out thee,
And read thee everywhere. Amen.

604

From the German, 17*th cent.*

'Thou art fairer than the children of men.' Ps. xlv. 2.

Schönster Herr Jesu.

FAIREST LORD JESUS,
Ruler of all nature,
O thou of GOD and man the SON;
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honour,
Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;
JESUS is fairer, JESUS is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine,
Fairer still the moonlight,
And fair the twinkling, starry host;
JESUS shines brighter, JESUS shines purer,
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

4 All fairest beauty
Heavenly and earthly,
Wondrously, JESUS, is found in thee;
None can be nearer, fairer or dearer,
Than thou, my SAVIOUR, art to me. Amen.

605

Rev. Thomas Tiplady, 1933.

'And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day.' Gen. iii. 8.

INTO the heart of the wildwood,
I went one day,
Seeking in peace and contentment
A while to stay;

Green were the leaves hanging o'er me,
And sweet the scent,
There in the heart of the wildwood
Whither I went.

2 Birds in the branches were singing
A song of joy,
Bees o'er the blossoms were humming
In sweet employ;
And in the heart of the wildwood
There seemed to be
ONE who of old walked in Eden
Walking with me. Amen.

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COMMUNION OF SAINTS AND LIFE EVERLASTING

606 *Tr.* (1841) *from the German of C. F. Gellert* (1757) *by Frances E. Cox.*

'I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.' Rev. i. 18.

Jesus lebt, mit ihm auch ich.

JESUS lives! thy terrors now
Can no longer, death, appal us;
JESUS lives! by this we know
Thou, O grave, canst not enthral us.
Alleluia!

2 JESUS lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm our trembling breath
When we pass its gloomy portal.
Alleluia!

3 JESUS lives! for us he died:
Then, alone to JESUS living,
Pure in heart may we abide,
Glory to our SAVIOUR giving.
Alleluia!

4 JESUS lives! our hearts know well
Nought from us his love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell
Tear us from his keeping ever.
Alleluia!

5 JESUS lives! to him the throne
Over all the world is given;
May we go where he is gone,
Rest and reign with him in heaven.
Alleluia! Amen.

607

Rev. Ray Palmer, 1858.

'Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory.' 1 Peter i. 8.

JESU, these eyes have never seen
That radiant form of thine;
The veil of sense hangs dark between
Thy blessèd face and mine.

2 I see thee not, I hear thee not,
Yet art thou oft with me;
And earth hath ne'er so dear a spot
As where I meet with thee.

3 Yet, though I have not seen, and still
Must rest in faith alone;
I love thee, dearest LORD, and will,
Unseen but not unknown.

4 When death these mortal eyes shall seal,
And still this throbbing heart,
The rending veil shall thee reveal
All glorious as thou art. Amen.

608

Dean Samuel Crossman, 1664.

'But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.' Heb. xi. 16.

JERUSALEM on high
My song and city is,
My home whene'er I die,
The centre of my bliss:

O happy place!
When shall I be,
My God, with thee,
To see thy face?

2 There dwells my Lord, my King,
Judged here unfit to live;
There angels to him sing,
And lowly homage give:

O happy place!

3 The patriarchs of old
There from their travels cease;
The prophets there behold
Their longed-for Prince of Peace:

O happy place!

4 The Lamb's apostles there
I might with joy behold,
The harpers I might hear
Harping on harps of gold:

O happy place!

5 The bleeding martyrs, they
Within those courts are found,
All clothed in pure array,
Their scars with glory crowned:

O happy place!

6 Ah woe is me! that I
In Kedar's tents here stay;
No place like that on high;
LORD, thither guide my way;
O happy place! Amen.

609

F. B. P., 1580

'Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.' Gal. iv. 26.

O MOTHER dear, Jerusalem,
When shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?
O happy harbour of GOD's saints,
O sweet and pleasant soil;
In thee no sorrow may be found,
No grief, no care, no toil.

2 No dampish mist is seen in thee,
No cold nor darksome night;
There every soul shines as the sun;
There GOD himself gives light.
In thee no sickness may be seen,
No hurt, no ache, no sore;
In thee there is no dread of death,
But life for evermore.

3 Thy gardens and thy gallant walks
Continually are green;
There grow such sweet and pleasant flowers
As nowhere else are seen.
Quite through the streets with silver sound
The flood of life doth flow,
Upon whose banks on either side
The tree of life doth grow.

4 There trees for evermore bear fruit,
And evermore do spring;
There evermore the angels sit,
And evermore do sing.

Ah, my sweet home, Jerusalem,
Would GOD I were in thee!
Would GOD my woes were at an end,
Thy joys that I might see! Amen.

610

F. B. P., 1580, *and Rev. J. Bromehead*, 1795.

'And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God.' Rev. xxi. 10.

JERUSALEM, my happy home,
Name ever dear to me,
When shall my labours have an end,
Thy joys when shall I see?

2 When shall these eyes thy heaven-built walls
And pearly gates behold?
Thy bulwarks with salvation strong,
And streets of shining gold?

3 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there
Around my SAVIOUR stand;
And all I love in CHRIST below
Will join the glorious band.

4 Jerusalem, my happy home,
Name ever dear to me,
When shall my labours have an end,
Thy joys when shall I see?

5 O CHRIST, do thou my soul prepare
For that bright home of love;
That I may see thee and adore,
With all thy saints above. Amen.

611

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1759.

'Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named.' Eph. iii. 15.

LET saints on earth in concert sing
With those whose work is done,
For all the servants of our King
In heaven and earth are one.

2 One family, we dwell in him,
One Church, above, beneath;
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death.

3 One army of the living GOD,
To his command we bow;
Part of the host have crossed the flood,
And part are crossing now.

4 E'en now to their eternal home
There pass some spirits blest;
While others to the margin come,
Waiting their call to rest.

5 JESU, be thou our constant Guide;
Then, when the word is given,
Bid Jordan's narrow stream divide,
And bring us safe to heaven. Amen.

612

Rev. Horatius Bonar, 1842.

'But this I say, brethren, the time is short.' 1 Cor. vii. 29.

A FEW more years shall roll,
A few more seasons wane,
And we shall be with those that rest
Till CHRIST shall come again:
Then, O my LORD, prepare
My soul for that great day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

2 A few more suns shall set
O'er these dark hills of time,
And we shall be where suns are not,
A far serener clime:
Then, O my LORD, prepare
My soul for that bright day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

3 A few more storms shall beat
On this wild rocky shore,
And we shall be where tempests cease,
And surges swell no more:
Then, O my LORD, prepare
My soul for that calm day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

4 A few more struggles here,
A few more partings o'er,
A few more toils, a few more tears,
And we shall weep no more:
Then, O my LORD, prepare
My soul for that blest day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away.

5 'Tis but a little while
And he shall come again,
Who died that we might live, who lives
That we with him may reign:
Then, O my LORD, prepare
My soul for that glad day;
O wash me in thy precious Blood,
And take my sins away. Amen.

613

Tr. (1854) *from the Latin of Peter Abelard* (12*th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.' Heb. iv. 9.

O quanta qualia sunt illa Sabbata.

O WHAT their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless Sabbaths the blessèd ones see;
Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest;
GOD shall be All and in all ever blest.

2 What are the Monarch, his court, and his throne?
What are the peace and the joy that they own?
O that the blest ones, who in it have share,
All that they feel could as fully declare!

3 Truly Jerusalem name we that shore,
Vision of peace, that brings joy evermore;
Wish and fulfilment can severed be ne'er,
Nor the thing prayed for come short of the prayer.

4 There, where no troubles distraction can bring,
We the sweet anthems of Sion shall sing,
While for thy grace, LORD, their voices of praise
Thy blessèd people eternally raise.

*5 Now in the meantime, with hearts raised on high,
We for that country must yearn and must sigh;
Seeking Jerusalem, dear native land,
Through our long exile on Babylon's strand.

6 Low before him with our praises we fall,
Of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;
Of whom, the FATHER; and in whom, the SON;
Through whom, the SPIRIT, with them ever One. Amen.

614

Anon.

'And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light.' Rev. xxii. 5.

WHERE the Light for ever shineth,
Where no storm ariseth more,
There the SAVIOUR meets his loved ones
On the shore.

2 They nor thirst, nor suffer hunger,
All their tears are wiped away,
Night has past, and they have entered
Endless day.

3 Surely he, the mighty Worker,
He who slumbers not, nor sleeps,
Leaveth not in useless silence
Those he keeps.

4 They who bravely toiled amongst us
We believe are working still,
Where no disappointment hinders,
No self-will.

5 Lo! from earth's imperfect labour
He hath called them to his feet,
There to work where, free from failure,
Work is sweet.

6 We can spare them, loving SAVIOUR,
For we know thou guardest well
Those who now with all the ransomed
Sinless dwell.

7 Grant that we with them thy loved ones,
Whom by faith we still can see,
May when life's great morning dawneth
Follow thee. Amen.

615

Rev. Sir H. W. Baker, 1861.

'In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.' St. John xiv. 2.

THERE is a blessèd home
Beyond this land of woe,
Where trials never come,
Nor tears of sorrow flow;
Where faith is lost in sight,
And patient hope is crowned,
And everlasting light
Its glory throws around.

2 There is a land of peace,
Good angels know it well;
Glad songs that never cease
Within its portals swell;
Around its glorious throne
Ten thousand saints adore
CHRIST, with the FATHER One,
And SPIRIT, evermore.

3 O joy all joys beyond,
To see the Lamb who died,
For ever there enthroned,
For ever glorified;
To give to him the praise
Of every triumph won,
And sing through endless days
The great things he hath done.

4 Look up, ye saints of GOD,
Nor fear to tread below
The path your SAVIOUR trod
Of daily toil and woe;
Wait but a little while
In uncomplaining love,
His own most gracious smile
Shall welcome you above. Amen.

616

Rev. Rowland Hill, 1783.

'Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.' Rev. vii. 15.

LO! round the throne, a glorious band,
The saints in countless myriads stand,
Of every tongue redeemed to GOD,
Arrayed in garments washed in Blood.

2 Through tribulation great they came;
They bore the cross, despised the shame;
From all their labours now they rest,
In GOD'S eternal glory blest.

3 They see their SAVIOUR face to face,
And sing the triumphs of his grace;
Him day and night they ceaseless praise,
To him the loud thanksgiving raise:

4 'Worthy the Lamb, for sinners slain,
Through endless years to live and reign;
Thou hast redeemed us by thy Blood,
And made us kings and priests to GOD.'

5 O may we tread the sacred road
That saints and holy martyrs trod;
Wage to the end the glorious strife,
And win, like them, a crown of life. Amen.

617

Rev. H. F. Lyte, 1834.

'How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!'
Ps. lxxxiv. 1.

PLEASANT are thy courts above
In the land of light and love;
Pleasant are thy courts below
In this land of sin and woe:
O my spirit longs and faints
For the converse of thy saints,
For the brightness of thy face,
For thy fulness, GOD of grace.

2 Happy birds that sing and fly
Round thy altars, O Most High;
Happier souls that find a rest
In a heavenly FATHER's breast:
Like the wandering dove, that found
No repose on earth around,
They can to their ark repair,
And enjoy it ever there.

3 Happy souls, their praises flow
Even in this vale of woe;
Waters in the desert rise,
Manna feeds them from the skies;

On they go from strength to strength,
Till they reach thy throne at length,
At thy feet adoring fall,
Who hast led them safe through all.

4 LORD, be mine this prize to win,
Guide me through a world of sin,
Keep me by thy saving grace,
Give me at thy side a place;
Sun and Shield alike thou art,
Guide and guard my erring heart;
Grace and glory flow from thee;
Shower, O shower them, LORD, on me. Amen.

618

Rev. John Newton, 1779.

'Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.'
Ps. lxxxvii. 3.

GLORIOUS things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our GOD;
He, whose word cannot be broken,
Formed thee for his own abode.
On the Rock of ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
Ever flows their thirst to assuage;
Grace, which like the LORD, the Giver,
Never fails from age to age?

3 Round each habitation hovering,
See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a covering—
Showing that the LORD is near.

Thus they march, the pillar leading,
Light by night and shade by day;
Daily on the manna feeding
Which he gives them when they pray.

4 SAVIOUR, since of Zion's city
I, through grace, a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy Name.
Fading is the world's best pleasure,
All its boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Zion's children know. Amen.

619

James Montgomery, 1829.

'After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands.' Rev. vii. 9.

PALMS of glory, raiment bright,
Crowns that never fade away,
Gird and deck the saints in light,
Priests, and kings, and conquerors they.

2 Yet the conquerors bring their palms
To the Lamb amidst the throne,
And proclaim in joyful psalms
Victory through his Cross alone.

3 Kings for harps their crowns resign,
Crying, as they strike the chords,
'Take the kingdom, it is thine,
King of kings, and LORD of lords.'

4 Round the altar priests confess,
If their robes are white as snow,
'Twas the SAVIOUR's righteousness
And his Blood that made them so.

5 They were mortal too like us;
Ah! when we like them shall die,
May our souls translated thus
Triumph, reign, and shine on high. Amen.

620

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1707.

'But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.' Heb. xi. 16.

THERE is a land of pure delight,
Where saints immortal reign;
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain.

2 There everlasting spring abides,
And never-withering flowers;
Death, like a narrow sea, divides
This heavenly land from ours.

3 Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood
Stand dressed in living green;
So to the Jews old Canaan stood,
While Jordan rolled between.

4 But timorous mortals start and shrink
To cross the narrow sea,
And linger shivering on the brink,
And fear to launch away.

5 O could we make our doubts remove,
Those gloomy doubts that rise,
And see the Canaan that we love
With unbeclouded eyes:

6 Could we but climb where Moses stood,
And view the landscape o'er;
Not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood,
Should fright us from the shore. Amen.

621

Rev. John Ellerton, 1871.

'The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them.' Wisd. iii. 1.

NOW the labourer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.

FATHER, in thy gracious keeping
Leave we now thy servant sleeping.

2 There the tears of earth are dried;
There its hidden things are clear;
There the work of life is tried
By a juster Judge than here.

FATHER, in thy gracious keeping.

3 There the penitents, that turn
To the Cross their dying eyes,
All the love of CHRIST shall learn
At his feet in Paradise.

FATHER, in thy gracious keeping.

4 There no more the powers of hell
Can prevail to mar their peace;
CHRIST the LORD shall guard them well,
He who died for their release.

FATHER, in thy gracious keeping.

5 'Earth to earth, and dust to dust,'
Calmly now the words we say,
Left behind, we wait in trust
Till the Resurrection-day.

FATHER, in thy gracious keeping. Amen.

622 *James Montgomery*, 1835.

'Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.' 1 Thess. iv. 17.

'FOR ever with the LORD!'
Amen; so let it be;
Life from the dead is in that word,
'Tis immortality.
Here in the body pent,
Absent from him I roam,
Yet nightly pitch my moving tent
A day's march nearer home.

2 My FATHER's house on high,
Home of my soul, how near!
At times to faith's foreseeing eye
Thy golden gates appear!
Ah! then my spirit faints
To reach the land I love,
The bright inheritance of saints,
Jerusalem above.

3 'For ever with the LORD!'
FATHER, if 'tis thy will,
The promise of that faithful word
Even here to me fulfil.
Be thou at my right hand,
Then can I never fail;
Uphold thou me, and I shall stand,
Fight, and I must prevail.

4 So when my latest breath
Shall rend the veil in twain,
By death I shall escape from death,
And life eternal gain.
Knowing as I am known,
How shall I love that word,
And oft repeat before the throne,
'For ever with the LORD!' Amen.

623

Rev. F. M. Knollis, 1859.

'And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.' Rev. xxi. 25.

THERE is no night in heaven;
In that blest world above
Work never can bring weariness,
For work itself is love.

2 There is no grief in heaven;
For life is one glad day;
And tears are of those former things
Which all have passed away.

3 There is no sin in heaven;
Behold that blessèd throng—
All holy is their spotless robe,
All holy is their song!

4 There is no death in heaven;
For they who gain that shore
Have won their immortality,
And they can die no more.

5 LORD JESU, be our Guide;
O lead us safely on,
Till night and grief and sin and death
Are past, and heaven is won! Amen.

624

Rev. Samuel Johnson, 1864.

'And the city lieth foursquare.' Rev. xxi. 16.

CITY of GOD, how broad and far
Outspread thy walls sublime!
The true thy chartered freemen are
Of every age and clime.

2 One holy Church, one army strong,
One steadfast, high intent;
One working band, one harvest-song,
One King omnipotent.

3 How purely hath thy speech come down
From man's primeval youth!
How grandly hath thine empire grown
Of freedom, love, and truth!

4 How gleam thy watch-fires through the night
With never-fainting ray!
How rise thy towers, serene and bright,
To meet the dawning day!

5 In vain the surge's angry shock,
In vain the drifting sands:
Unharmed upon the eternal Rock
The eternal City stands. Amen.

625

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1873.

'Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: . . . that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.' Rev. xiv. 13.

HUSH! blessèd are the dead
In JESUS' arms who rest,
And lean their weary head
For ever on his breast.

2 O beatific sight!
No darkling veil between,
They see the Light of Light,
Whom here they loved unseen.

3 Them the Good Shepherd leads,
Where storms are never rife,
In tranquil dewy meads
Beside the Fount of Life.

4 O tender hearts and true,
Our long last vigil kept,
We weep and mourn for you;
Nor blame us: JESUS wept.

5 But soon at break of day
His calm almighty voice,
Stronger than death, shall say,
Awake,—arise,—rejoice. Amen.

626

Tr. (1851) *from the Latin of Bernard of Cluny* (1145) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.' Heb. xiii. 14.

Hic breve vivitur.

BRIEF life is here our portion,
Brief sorrow, short-lived care;
The life that knows no ending,
The tearless life, is there.

2 There grief is turned to pleasure:
Such pleasure as below
No human voice can utter,
No human heart can know.

3 The morning shall awaken,
The shadows shall decay,
And each true-hearted servant
Shall shine as doth the day.

4 There GOD, our King and Portion,
In fulness of his grace,
Shall we behold for ever,
And worship face to face.

5 O one, O only mansion,
O Paradise of joy,
Where tears are ever banished,
And smiles have no alloy;

6 The Lamb is all thy splendour,
The Crucified thy praise;
His laud and benediction
Thy ransomed people raise.

7 O sweet and blessèd country,
The home of GOD's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country
That eager hearts expect!

8 JESU, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest;
Who art, with GOD the FATHER,
And SPIRIT, ever blest. Amen.

627 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin of Bernard of Cluny* (1145) *by Rev. J. M. Neale; rev.* 1859.

'And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.' Rev. xxi. 18.

Urbs Syon aurea.

JERUSALEM the golden,
With milk and honey blest,
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice oppprest.
I know not, O I know not
What joys await us there,
What radiancy of glory,
What bliss beyond compare.

2 They stand, those halls of Sion,
All jubilant with song,
And bright with many an angel,
And all the martyr throng;
The Prince is ever in them,
The daylight is serene,
The pastures of the blessèd
Are decked in glorious sheen.

3 There is the throne of David;
And there, from care released,
The shout of them that triumph,
The song of them that feast;
And they, who with their Leader
Have conquered in the fight,
For ever and for ever
Are clad in robes of white.

4 O sweet and blessèd country
The home of GOD's elect!
O sweet and blessèd country,
That eager hearts expect!
JESU, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest;
Who art, with GOD the FATHER,
And SPIRIT, ever blest. Amen.

628

Tr. (1854) *from Thomas à Kempis* (*15th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.' 1 Cor. ii. 9.

Jerusalem, luminosa.

LIGHT'S abode, celestial Salem,
Vision whence true peace doth spring,
Brighter than the heart can fancy,
Mansion of the highest King;
O how glorious are the praises
Which of thee the prophets sing!

2 There for ever and for ever
Alleluia is out-poured;
For unending, for unbroken
Is the feast-day of the LORD;
All is pure and all is holy
That within thy walls is stored.

3 There no cloud nor passing vapour
Dims the brightness of the air;
Endless noon-day, glorious noon-day,
From the Sun of suns is there;
There no night brings rest from labour,
For unknown are toil and care.

4 O how glorious and resplendent,
Fragile body, shalt thou be,
When endued with so much beauty,
Full of health, and strong, and free,
Full of vigour, full of pleasure
That shall last eternally!

5 Now with gladness, now with courage,
Bear the burden on thee laid,
That hereafter these thy labours
May with endless gifts be paid;
And in everlasting glory
Thou with brightness be arrayed.

6 Laud and honour to the FATHER,
Laud and honour to the SON,
Laud and honour to the SPIRIT,
Ever THREE, and ever ONE,
Consubstantial, co-eternal,
While unending ages run. Amen.

629

Dean Henry Alford, 1867.

'For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.' Rev. vii. 17.

TEN thousand times ten thousand,
In sparkling raiment bright,
The armies of the ransomed saints
Throng up the steeps of light:
'Tis finished, all is finished,
Their fight with death and sin;
Fling open wide the golden gates,
And let the victors in.

2 What rush of alleluias
Fills all the earth and sky;
What ringing of a thousand harps
Bespeaks the triumph nigh!
O day, for which creation
And all its tribes were made;
O joy, for all its former woes
A thousand-fold repaid!

3 O then what raptured greetings
On Canaan's happy shore,
What knitting severed friendships up
Where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle
That brimmed with tears of late;
Orphans no longer fatherless,
Nor widows desolate.

4 Bring near thy great salvation,
Thou Lamb for sinners slain,
Fill up the roll of thine elect,
Then take thy power and reign:
Appear, Desire of nations,
Thine exiles long for home;
Show in the heaven thy promised sign;
Thou Prince and SAVIOUR, come. Amen.

630

Rev. Godfrey Thring, 1886.

'I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb. . . . And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God . . . and unto the Lamb.' Rev. vii. 9, 10.

I HEARD a sound of voices
Around the great white throne,
With harpers harping on their harps
To him who sat thereon;
'Salvation, glory, honour,'
I heard the song arise,
As through the courts of heaven it rolled
In wondrous harmonies.

2 From every clime and kindred,
And nations from afar,—
As serried ranks returning home
In triumph from a war:
I heard the saints upraising,
The myriad hosts among,
In praise of him who died, and lives,
Their one glad triumph-song.

3 I saw the Holy City,
The New Jerusalem,
Come down from heaven a Bride adorned
With jewelled diadem:
The flood of crystal waters
Flowed down the golden street;
And nations brought their honours there,
And laid them at her feet.

4 And there nor sun was needed,
Nor moon to shine by night,
GOD's glory did enlighten all,
The Lamb himself the Light:
And there his servants serve him,
And, life's long battle o'er,
Enthroned with him, their SAVIOUR, King,
They reign for evermore.

5 O great and glorious vision!—
The Lamb upon his throne—
O wondrous sight for man to see!
The SAVIOUR with his own:
To drink the living waters,
And stand upon the shore,
Where neither sorrow, sin, nor death,
Shall ever enter more.

6 O Lamb of GOD, who reignest!
Thou Bright and Morning Star,
Whose glory lightens that new earth
Which now we see from far;
O worthy Judge Eternal!
When thou dost bid us come,
Then open wide the gates of pearl,
And call thy servants home. Amen.

631

Tr. (1862) *from the Greek of St. John of Damascus, 8th cent., by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

'He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.' Rev. xxi. 7.

Τὰς ἕδρας τὰς αἰωνίας.

THOSE eternal bowers man hath never trod,
Those unfading flowers round the throne of GOD:
Who may hope to gain them after weary fight?
Who at length attain them, clad in robes of white?

2 He who wakes from slumber at the SPIRIT's voice,
Daring here to number things unseen his choice:
He who casts his burden down at JESUS' Cross—
CHRIST's reproach his guerdon, all beside but loss.

3 He who gladly barters all on earthly ground;
He who, like the martyrs, says 'I will be crowned':
He whose one oblation is a life of love,
Knit in GOD's salvation to the blest above.

4 Shame upon you, legions of the heavenly King,
Citizens of regions past imagining!
Why with pipe and tabor waste the hours of light,
When he bids you labour, when he tells you, Fight?

5 JESU, LORD of glory, as we breast the tide,
Whisper thou the story of the other side;
Where the saints are casting crowns before thy feet,
Safe for everlasting, in thyself complete. Amen.

632

Sir J. S. Arkwright, 1919.

'Of whom the world was not worthy.' Heb. xi. 38.

O VALIANT hearts, who to your glory came
Through dust of conflict and through battle flame;
Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,
Your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

*2 Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war,
As who had heard GOD's message from afar;
All you had hoped for, all you had, you gave
To save mankind—yourselves you scorned to save.

*3 Splendid you passed, the great surrender made,
Into the light that never more shall fade;
Deep your contentment in that blest abode,
Who wait the last clear trumpet-call of GOD.

4 Long years ago, as earth lay dark and still,
Rose a loud cry upon a lonely hill,
While in the frailty of our human clay,
CHRIST, our Redeemer, passed the self-same way.

5 Still stands his Cross from that dread hour to this,
Like some bright star above the dark abyss;
Still, through the veil, the Victor's pitying eyes
Look down to bless our lesser Calvaries.

6 These were his servants, in his steps they trod,
Following through death the martyred SON of GOD:
Victor he rose; victorious too shall rise
They who have drunk his cup of sacrifice.

7 O risen LORD, O Shepherd of our dead,
Whose Cross has bought them and whose staff has led,
In glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land
Commits her children to thy gracious hand.
Amen.

633

Rev. John M. Neale, 1843.

'For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.' 1 Thess. v. 9, 10.

THEY whose course on earth is o'er,
Think they of their brethren more?
They before the throne who bow,
Feel they for their brethren now?

2 We, by enemies distrest—
They in Paradise at rest;
We the captives—they the freed—
We and they are one indeed.

3 One in all we seek or shun,
One—because our LORD is one;
One in heart and one in love—
We below, and they above.

4 Those whom many a land divides,
Many mountains, many tides,
Have they with each other part,
Fellowship of heart with heart?

5 Each to each may be unknown,
Wide apart their lots be thrown;
Differing tongues their lips may speak,
One be strong, and one be weak;—

6 Yet in sacrament and prayer
Each with other hath a share;
Hath a share in tear and sigh,
Watch, and fast and litany.

7 Saints departed even thus
Hold communion still with us;
Still with us, beyond the veil
Praising, pleading without fail.

8 With them still our hearts we raise,
Share their work and join their praise,
Rendering worship, thanks, and love
To the TRINITY above. Amen.

FOR YOUTH

634 *All-Day Hymn.* *Jan Struther*, 1931.

'O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: . . . also when I am old . . . O God, forsake me not.' Ps. lxxi. 17, 18.

LORD of all hopefulness, LORD of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, LORD, at the break of the day.

2 LORD of all eagerness, LORD of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane
and the lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, LORD, at the noon
of the day.

3 LORD of all kindliness, LORD of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to
embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, LORD, at the eve of the
day.

4 LORD of all gentleness, LORD of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is
balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, LORD, at the end of
the day. Amen.

635

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1893

'Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
Eph. vi. 10.

O JESUS, strong and pure and true,
Before thy feet we bow;
The grace of earlier years renew,
And lead us onward now.

2 The joyous life that year by year
Within these walls is stored,
The golden hope, the gladsome cheer,
We bring to thee, O LORD.

3 Our faith endow with keener powers,
With warmer glow our love;
And draw these halting hearts of ours
From earth to things above.

4 In paths our bravest ones have trod,
O make us strong to go,
That we may give our lives to GOD,
In serving man below.

5 Scorn we the selfish aim or choice,
And love's high precept keep,
'Rejoice with those that do rejoice,
And weep with those that weep.'

6 So hence shall flow fresh strength and grace,
As from a full-fed spring,
To make the world a better place,
And life a worthier thing. Amen.

636

vv. 1–3, *Anna L. Coghill,* 1864;
v. 4 *from Hymn* 291.

'Thou renderest to every man according to his work.'
Ps. lxii. 12.

WORK, for the night is coming!
Work through the morning hours;
Work while the dew is sparkling;
Work 'mid springing flowers;
Work while the day grows brighter,
Under the glowing sun;
Work, for the night is coming,
When man's work is done.

2 Work, for the night is coming!
Work through the sunny noon;
Fill the bright hours with labour;
Rest comes sure and soon.
Give every flying minute
Something to keep in store;
Work, for the night is coming,
When man works no more.

3 Work, for the night is coming!
Under the sunset skies,
While their bright tints are glowing,
Work, for daylight flies.

Work till the last beam fadeth,
Fadeth to shine no more;
Work, while the night is darkening,
When man's work is o'er.

4 Work, for the day is coming!
Children of light are we;
From JESUS' bright appearing
Powers of darkness flee.
Soon will the strife be ending,
Soon all our toils below,
Not to the dark we're tending,
But to the day we go. Amen.

637

Mary Bradford Whiting, 1902.

'The whole earth is at rest, and is quiet: they break forth into singing.' Isa. xiv. 7.

STARS of evening, softly gleaming
In the fading west,
With your heavenly light is streaming
Hope to hearts opprest!
Toil is over, cease from sorrow,
Till to-morrow
Sleep and rest!

2 Hark! the evening bells are bringing
Hope of glad release,
Welcome strains their chimes are ringing--
'Labour now shall cease;
Though the day be long and dreary,
To the weary
Cometh peace!'

3 Heavenly FATHER! watch beside us
Till the dawn of light,
And whatever may betide us,
Guard us by thy might!
Trusting in thy gracious keeping,
Calmly sleeping
Through the night.

4 So when Death's dark clouds fall slowly
Over land and sea,
May thy light, serene and holy,
On our pathway be;
Leading us to joy transcending
In unending
Rest with thee! Amen.

638

Anon.

'The captain of their salvation.' Heb. ii. 10.

YOUTH of the world, arise,
Courage and service bring,
Life, full and free, before you lies,
Make CHRIST your SAVIOUR-KING.

2 Youth of the world, arise,
High hope is yours to-day,
Life offers many an easy prize,
CHRIST points the harder way.

3 Youth of the world, arise,
'Adventure' is your cry,
Then see before your very eyes
The King who dared to die.

4 Youth of the world, arise
To sacrificial deeds,
'Come, follow me,' the SAVIOUR cries,
Young lives like yours he needs.

5 Youth of the world, arise,
To bear his Cross and shame;
With him no true endeavour dies;
Go forth, proclaim his Name.

6 Youth of the world, arise,
Clear is the clarion call,
'I come, I come,' true youth replies,
'To CHRIST I give my all.' Amen.

639

Tr. (1846) *from the Greek of Clement of Alexandria* (*c.* 170 A.D.) *by Rev. H. M. Dexter.*

'He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.' Isa. xl. 11.

Στόμιον πώλων ἁδαῶν.

SHEPHERD of eager youth,
Guiding in love and truth
Through devious ways;
CHRIST our triumphant King,
We come thy Name to sing,
Hither thy children bring
Tributes of praise.

2 Thou art our holy LORD,
The all-subduing WORD,
Healer of strife:
Thou didst thyself abase,
That from sin's deep disgrace
Thou mightest save our race,
And give us life.

3 Thou art our great High Priest,
Thou hast prepared the feast
Of heavenly love;
None calls on thee in vain,
Thee who didst not disdain
Help in thy mortal pain,
Help from above.

4 Ever be thou our guide,
Our Shepherd and our pride,
Our staff and song:
JESU, thou CHRIST of GOD,
By thy perennial word
Lead us where thou hast trod,
Make our faith strong.

5 So now, and till we die,
Sound we thy praises high,
And joyful sing.
Let all the holy throng
Who to thy Church belong,
Unite and swell the song
To CHRIST our King. Amen.

640 *vv.* 1–2, *H. A. Walter*, 1883–1918; *v.* 3, *Bishop L. W. B. Broughall*, 1938.

'I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.' Phil. iv. 13.

I WOULD be true, for there are those who trust me;
I would be pure, for there are those who care;
I would be strong, for there is much to suffer;
I would be brave, for there is much to dare.

2 I would be friend of all—the foe, the friendless;
I would be giving, and forget the gift;
I would be humble, for I know my weakness;
I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift.

3 How can this be? For well I know my failures,
Unless there come grace, strength, and love from thee?
O King of Love, my Master and my SAVIOUR,
Grant these I pray. To serve thee, set me free. Amen.

641 *Sir Frank Fletcher*, *c.* 1924.

'Make me to hear joy and gladness.' Ps. li. 8.

O SON of Man, our Hero strong and tender,
Whose servants are the brave in all the earth,
Our living sacrifice to thee we render,
Who sharest all our sorrow, all our mirth.

2 O feet so strong to climb the path of duty,
O lips divine that taught the words of truth,
Kind eyes that marked the lilies in their beauty,
And heart that kindled at the zeal of youth.

3 Lover of children, boyhood's inspiration,
Of all mankind the Servant and the King;
O LORD of joy and hope and consolation,
To thee our fears and joys and hopes we bring.

4 Not in our failures only and our sadness
We seek thy presence, Comforter and Friend;
O rich man's Guest, be with us in our gladness,
O poor man's Mate, our lowliest tasks attend. Amen.

642

Horatio R. Palmer, 1868.

'There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.' 1 Cor. x. 13.

YIELD not to temptation, for yielding is sin;
Each victory will help you some other to win;
Fight manfully onward; dark passions subdue;
Look ever to JESUS—he will carry you through.

Ask the SAVIOUR to help you,
Comfort, strengthen, and keep you;
He is willing to aid you,
He will carry you through.

2 Shun evil companions; bad language disdain;
GOD'S Name hold in reverence, nor take it in vain;
Be thoughtful and earnest, kind-hearted and true;
Look ever to JESUS—he will carry you through.

Ask the SAVIOUR to help you.

3 To him that o'ercometh GOD giveth a crown;
Through faith we shall conquer, though often cast down;
He who is our SAVIOUR our strength will renew;
Look ever to JESUS—he will carry you through.

Ask the SAVIOUR to help you. Amen.

643

F. J. Gillman, 1909.

'Then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.' Joshua i. 8.

GOD send us men whose aim 'twill be
To make the word of love their creed,
And to live out the laws of CHRIST
In every thought and word and deed.

2 GOD send us men alert and quick
His lofty precepts to translate,
Until the laws of CHRIST become
The laws and habits of the State.

3 GOD send us men, GOD send us men,
Patient, courageous, strong, and true;
With vision clear and mind equipped,
His will to learn, his work to do.

4 GOD send us men with hearts ablaze
All truth to love, all wrong to hate;
These are the patriots nations need,
These are the bulwarks of the State. Amen.

644

Rudyard Kipling, 1906.

'Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, . . . let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.' 1 John iii. 1, 18.

[*Land of our birth, we pledge to thee*
Our love and toil in the years to be,
When we are grown and take our place
As men and women with our race.]

FATHER in heaven, who lovest all,
O help thy children when they call;
That they may build from age to age
An undefilèd heritage.

2 Teach us to bear the yoke in youth,
With steadfastness and careful truth;
That, in our time, thy grace may give
The truth whereby the nations live.

3 Teach us to rule ourselves alway,
Controlled and cleanly night and day;
That we may bring, if need arise,
No maimed or worthless sacrifice.

4 Teach us to look in all our ends
On thee for Judge and not our friends;
That we, with thee, may walk uncowed
By fear or favour of the crowd.

5 Teach us the strength that cannot seek,
By deed or thought, to hurt the weak;
That, under thee, we may possess
Man's strength to comfort man's distress.

6 Teach us delight in simple things,
And mirth that has no bitter springs;
Forgiveness free of evil done,
And love to all men 'neath the sun. Amen.

[*Land of our birth, our faith, our pride,*
For whose dear sake our fathers died;
O Motherland, we pledge to thee
Head, heart, and hand through the years to be]

645

Nancy Byrd Turner, 1928.

'Walk as children of light.' Eph. v. 8.

O SON of Man, who walked each day
A humble road, serene and strong,
Go with me now upon life's way,
My comrade all the journey long.

2 If light and joy should be my part,
Then share with me the shining hour;
If clouds should come, speak to my heart
Thy word of comfort, love, and power.

3 So shall I walk in happiness,
So shall my task with love be fraught—
If thou art near to mark and bless
The labour done, the beauty wrought.

4 O SON of GOD, who came and shed
A light for all the ages long,
Thy company shall make me glad,
Thy fellowship shall keep me strong. Amen.

646

Marianne Farningham, 1887.

'And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.' St. Luke ix. 57.

JUST as I am, thine own to be,
Friend of the young, who lovest me,
To consecrate myself to thee,
O JESUS CHRIST, I come.

2 In the glad morning of my day,
My life to give, my vows to pay,
With no reserve, and no delay,
With all my heart I come.

3 I would live ever in the light,
I would work ever for the right,
I would serve thee with all my might,
Therefore to thee I come.

4 Just as I am, young, strong, and free,
To be the best that I can be,
For truth, and righteousness, and thee,
LORD of my life, I come.

5 With many dreams of fame and gold,
Success and joy to make me bold,
But dearer still my faith to hold,
For my whole life, I come.

6 And for thy sake to win renown,
And then to take the victor's crown,
And at thy feet to cast it down,
O Master, LORD, I come. Amen.

647

Rev. Jay T. Stocking, 1912.

'My Father's business.' St. Luke ii. 49.

O MASTER Workman of the race,
Thou Man of Galilee,
Who with the eyes of early youth
Eternal things didst see.
We thank thee for thy boyhood faith
That shone thy whole life through,
'Did ye not know it is my work,
My FATHER's work to do?'

2 O Carpenter of Nazareth,
Builder of life divine,
Who shapest man to GOD's own law,
Thyself the fair design.
Build us a tower of CHRIST-like height,
That we the land may view,
And see, like thee, our noblest work,
Our FATHER's work to do.

3 O thou who dost the vision send,
And givest each his task,
And with the task sufficient strength,
Show us thy will, we ask;
Give us a conscience bold and good,
Give us a purpose true,
That it may be our highest joy
Our FATHER's work to do. Amen.

648

Mary A. Lathbury, 1877.

'Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts.' Isa. vi. 3.

DAY is dying in the west,
Heaven is touching earth with rest;
Wait and worship while the night
Sets her evening lamps alight
Through all the sky.

Holy, holy, holy, LORD GOD of Hosts!
Heaven and earth are full of thee,
Heaven and earth are praising thee,
O LORD Most High!

2 LORD of life, beneath the dome
Of the universe, thy home,
Gather us who seek thy face
To the fold of thy embrace,
For thou art nigh.

Holy, holy, holy, LORD GOD of Hosts!

3 While the deepening shadows fall,
Heart of Love, enfolding all,
Through the glory and the grace
Of the stars that veil thy face,
Our hearts ascend.

Holy, holy, holy, LORD GOD of Hosts!

4 When for ever from our sight
Pass the stars, the day, the night,
LORD of angels, on our eyes
Let eternal morning rise,
And shadows end.

Holy, holy, holy, LORD GOD of Hosts!
Amen.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

649 *J. G. Whittier*, 1850.

'By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.' St. John xiii. 35.

O BROTHER man, fold to thy heart thy brother!
Where pity dwells, the peace of GOD is there;
To worship rightly is to love each other,
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

2 For he whom JESUS loved hath truly spoken:
The holier worship which he deigns to bless
Restores the lost, and binds the spirit broken,
And feeds the widow and the fatherless.

3 Follow with reverent steps the great example
Of him whose holy work was doing good;
So shall the wide earth seem our FATHER'S temple,
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

4 Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangour
Of wild war-music o'er the earth shall cease;
Love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger,
And in its ashes plant the tree of peace.
Amen.

650 *vv.* 1–4, *Rev. Thos. Tiplady*, 1930; *vv.* 5–7, *Dean C. E. Riley*, 1933.

'Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.' St. Matt. xx. 7.

O SAVIOUR, when we have no work,
And cannot find it though we seek,
And like a lamp that burneth low,
Our courage grows each day more weak:

2 When hope and strength are failing fast,
And every door we try is barred:
Stand by us in the fading light
From doubt, despair, and sin to ward.

3 In Salem's market-place thy glance
Fell kindly on the man unhired,
Who idle stood eleven hours,
Not losing heart, though faint and tired.

4 With thee the will counts as the deed,
And labour sought is labour wrought;
'They also serve who stand and wait'
To labour, though the days bring nought.

PART 2

5 O CHRIST, who taught that they who seek
Thy FATHER's kingdom and his will,
Shall nothing lack of earthly fare,
Make good thine ancient promise still.

6 Take from the souls of men the greed
That fattens on another's loss,
Strike down the idols that ensnare,
And raise on high the holy Cross.

7 That so when all men follow thee,
In self-denial for their kind,
None may go hungry or unclothed,
But each his task and guerdon find. Amen.

651

James Russell Lowell, 1849.

'That he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.' Isa. vii. 15.

ONCE to every man and nation
Comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood,
For the good or evil side:
Some great cause, GOD's new Messiah,
Offering each the bloom or blight;
And the choice goes by for ever
'Twixt that darkness and that light.

2 By the light of burning martyrs,
  CHRIST, thy bleeding feet we track,
Toiling up new Calvaries ever
  With the Cross that turns not back.
New occasions teach new duties;
  Time makes ancient good uncouth;
They must upward still and onward
  Who would keep abreast of truth.

3 Though the cause of evil prosper,
  Yet 'tis truth alone is strong;
Though her portion be the scaffold,
  And upon the throne be wrong,
Yet that scaffold sways the future,
  And, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth GOD within the shadow,
  Keeping watch above his own. Amen.

652

Rev. Henry Van Dyke, 190[illegible].

'Study to be quiet, . . . do your own business, . . . work with your own hands, . . . walk honestly.' 1 Thess. iv. 11, 12.

THEY who tread the path of labour follow
  where my feet have trod;
They who work without complaining do the
  holy will of GOD;
Nevermore thou needest seek me; I am with
  thee everywhere;
Raise the stone, and thou shalt find me; cleave
  the wood, and I am there.

2 Where the many toil together, there am I
  among my own;
Where the tirèd workman sleepeth, there am I
  with him alone;
I, the Peace that passeth knowledge, dwell amid
  the daily strife;
I, the Bread of heaven, am broken in the sacra-
  ment of life.

3 Every task, however simple, sets the soul that does it free;
Every deed of love and mercy done to man is done to me.
Nevermore thou needest seek me; I am with thee everywhere;
Raise the stone, and thou shalt find me; cleave the wood, and I am there. Amen.

653

Alfred, Lord Tennyson, 1850.

'In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.' Isa. xxvi. 1.

[*Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,*
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.]

RING out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

2 Ring out the slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

3 Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

4 Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

5 Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the CHRIST that is to be. Amen.

654

Rev. F. M. North, 1903.

'And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven.' Rev. xxi. 2.

WHERE cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan,
Above the noise of selfish strife,
We hear thy voice, O Son of Man.

2 In haunts of wretchedness and need,
On shadowed thresholds, dark with fears,
From paths where hide the lures of greed,
We catch the vision of thy tears.

3 From tender childhood's helplessness,
From woman's grief, man's burdened toil,
From famished souls, from sorrow's stress,
Thy heart has never known recoil.

4 The cup of water given for thee
Still holds the freshness of thy grace;
Yet long these multitudes to see
The sweet compassion of thy face.

5 O Master, from the mountain side
Make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
Among these restless throngs abide,
O tread the city's streets again;

6 Till sons of men shall learn thy love,
And follow where thy feet have trod;
Till glorious from thy heaven above
Shall come the city of our GOD. Amen.

655

William Blake, 1804.

'Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years.' Mal. iii. 4.

AND did those feet in ancient time
Walk upon England's mountains green?
And was the holy Lamb of GOD
On England's pleasant pastures seen?

And did the countenance divine
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?
And was Jerusalem builded here
Among those dark satanic mills?

2 Bring me my bow of burning gold!
Bring me my arrows of desire!
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!
Bring me my chariot of fire!
I will not cease from mental fight,
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,
Till we have built Jerusalem
In this our green and pleasant land.

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Rev. W. P. Merrill, 1909.

'I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you.' 1 John ii. 14.

RISE up, O men of God!
Have done with lesser things;
Give heart and soul and mind and strength
To serve the King of kings.

2 Rise up, O men of God!
His Kingdom tarries long;
Bring in the day of brotherhood
And end the night of wrong.

3 Rise up, O men of God!
The Church for you doth wait:
Her strength unequal to her task;
Rise up, and make her great!

4 Lift high the Cross of Christ!
Tread where his feet have trod,
As brothers of the Son of Man,
Rise up, O men of God! Amen.

657

H. Montagu Butler, 1831.

'Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.' The Order of the Ministration of the Holy Communion.

'LIFT up your hearts!' We lift them, LORD, to thee;
Here at thy feet none other may we see:
'Lift up your hearts!' E'en so, with one accord,
We lift them up, we lift them to the LORD.

2 Above the level of the former years,
The mire of sin, the slough of guilty fears,
The mist of doubt, the blight of love's decay,
O LORD of Light, lift all our hearts to-day!

3 Above the swamps of subterfuge and shame,
The deeds, the thoughts, that honour may not name,
The halting tongue that dares not tell the whole,
O LORD of Truth, lift every Christian soul!

4 Lift every gift that thou thyself hast given;
Low lies the best till lifted up to heaven:
Low lie the bounding heart, the teeming brain,
Till, sent from GOD, they mount to GOD again.

5 Then, as the trumpet-call, in after years,
'Lift up your hearts!' rings pealing in our ears,
Still shall those hearts respond, with full accord
'We lift them up, we lift them to the LORD!'
Amen.

658

Donald Hankey, 1884–1916.

'He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.' 2 Cor. x. 17.

LORD of the strong, when earth you trod,
You calmly faced the angry sea,
And fierce unmasked hypocrisy,
The traitor's kiss, the rabble's hiss,
The aweful death upon the Tree:
All glory be to thee, O GOD.

2 LORD of the weak, when earth you trod,
Oppressors writhed beneath your scorn;
The weak, despised, depraved, forlorn,
You taught to hope and know the scope
Of love divine for all who mourn:
All glory be to thee, O GOD.

3 LORD of the rich, when earth you trod,
To Mammon's power you never bowed,
But taught how men with wealth endowed
In meekness' school might learn to rule
The demon that enslaves the proud:
All glory be to thee, O GOD.

4 LORD of the poor, when earth you trod,
The lot you chose was hard and poor;
You taught us hardness to endure,
And so to gain through hurt and pain
The wealth that lasts for evermore:
All glory be to thee, O GOD.

*5 LORD of us all, when earth you trod,
The life you led was perfect, free,
Defiant of all tyranny.
Now give us grace that we may face
Our foes with like temerity,
All glory give to thee, O GOD. Amen.

659

Henry Scott Holland, 1902.

'Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.' Heb. i. 8.

JUDGE eternal, throned in splendour,
LORD of lords and King of kings,
With thy living fire of judgment
Purge this realm of bitter things:
Solace all its wide dominion
With the healing of thy wings.

2 Still the weary folk are pining
For the hour that brings release:
And the city's crowded clangour
Cries aloud for sin to cease;
And the homesteads and the woodlands
Plead in silence for their peace.

3 Crown, O God, thine own endeavour:
Cleave our darkness with thy sword:
Feed the faint and hungry heathen
With the richness of thy Word:
Cleanse the body of this Empire
Through the glory of the Lord. Amen

HYMNS CHIEFLY FOR PERSONAL USE

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J. G. Whittier, 1857.

'I have loved thee with an everlasting love.' Jer. xxxi. 3.

IMMORTAL Love, for ever full,
For ever flowing free,
For ever shared, for ever whole,
A never-ebbing sea!
No offering of my own I have,
Nor works my faith to prove;
I can but give the gifts he gave,
And plead his love for love.

2 I see the wrong that round me lies,
I feel the guilt within;
I hear, with groan and travail-cries,
The world confess its sin.
Yet in the maddening maze of things,
And tossed by storm and flood,
To one fixed trust my spirit clings;
I know that God is good.

3 I dimly guess from blessings known
Of greater out of sight,
And, with the chastened Psalmist, own
His judgments, too, are right.

I know not what the future hath
Of marvel or surprise,
Assured alone that life and death
His mercy underlies.

4 And so beside the silent sea
I wait the muffled oar;
No harm from him can come to me
On ocean or on shore.
I know not where his islands lift
Their fronded palms in air;
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond his love and care. Amen.

661

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874.

'I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.' Rom. xii. 1.

IN full and glad surrender
I give myself to thee,
Thine utterly and only
And evermore to be.

2 O SON of GOD, who lovest me,
I will be thine alone;
And all I have and am, LORD,
Shall henceforth be thine own!

3 Reign over me, LORD JESUS;
O make my heart thy throne:
It shall be thine, dear SAVIOUR,
It shall be thine alone.

4 O come and reign, LORD JESUS;
Rule over everything!
And keep me always loyal,
And true to thee, my King. Amen.

662

Rev. Richard Baxter, 1681.

'For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.' Phil. i. 21.

LORD, it belongs not to my care
Whether I die or live;
To love and serve thee is my share,
And this thy grace must give.

2 If life be long, O make me glad
The longer to obey;
If short, no labourer is sad
To end his toilsome day.

3 CHRIST leads me through no darker rooms
Than he went through before;
He that unto GOD's kingdom comes
Must enter by this door.

4 Come, LORD, when grace hath made me meet
Thy blessèd face to see:
For if thy work on earth be sweet,
What will thy glory be!

5 Then I shall end my sad complaints
And weary sinful days,
And join with the triumphant saints
That sing my SAVIOUR's praise.

6 My knowledge of that life is small,
The eye of faith is dim;
But 'tis enough that CHRIST knows all,
And I shall be with him. Amen.

663

Charlotte Elliott, 1836.

'Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.' St. John xvii. 24.

LET me be with thee where thou art,
My SAVIOUR, my eternal rest;
Then only will this longing heart
Be fully and for ever blest.

2 Let me be with thee where thou art,
Thy unveiled glory to behold;
Then only will this wandering heart
Cease to be treacherous, faithless, cold.

3 Let me be with thee where thou art,
Where spotless saints thy Name adore:
Then only will this sinful heart
Be evil and defiled no more.

4 Let me be with thee where thou art,
Where none can die, where none remove;
Then neither death nor life will part
Me from thy presence and thy love. Amen.

664

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by Rev. E. Caswall.

'We love him, because he first loved us.' 1 John iv. 19.

O Deus ego amo te.

MY GOD, I love thee; not because
I hope for heaven thereby,
Nor yet because who love thee not
Are lost eternally.
Thou, O LORD JESUS, thou didst me
Upon the Cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails, and spear,
And manifold disgrace,

2 And griefs and torments numberless,
And sweat of agony;
Yea, death itself; and all for me
Who was thine enemy.
Then why, O blessèd JESU CHRIST,
Should I not love thee well?
Not for the sake of winning heaven,
Or of escaping hell;

3 Not with the hope of gaining aught,
Not seeking a reward;
But as thyself hast lovèd me,
O ever-loving LORD.
So would I love thee, dearest LORD,
And in thy praise will sing,
Solely because thou art my GOD,
And my most loving King. Amen.

665

Adelaide A. Procter, 1858.

'Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.' Ps. xxiii. 6.

MY GOD, I thank thee, who hast made
The earth so bright;
So full of splendour and of joy,
Beauty and light;
So many glorious things are here,
Noble and right.

2 I thank thee too that thou hast made
Joy to abound;
So many gentle thoughts and deeds
Circling us round,
That in the darkest spot of earth
Some love is found.

3 I thank thee more that all our joy
Is touched with pain;
That shadows fall on brightest hours;
That thorns remain;
So that earth's bliss may be our guide,
And not our chain.

4 For thou, who knowest, LORD, how soon
Our weak heart clings,
Hast given us joys, tender and true,
Yet all with wings;
So that we see, gleaming on high,
Diviner things.

5 I thank thee, LORD, that thou hast kept
The best in store;
We have enough, yet not too much
To long for more:
A yearning for a deeper peace,
Not known before.

6 I thank thee, LORD, that here our souls,
Though amply blest,
Can never find, although they seek,
A perfect rest—
Nor ever shall, until they lean
On JESUS' breast. Amen.

666

Phoebe Cary, 1852.

'And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.' Rom. xiii. 11.

ONE sweetly solemn thought
Comes to me o'er and o'er—
I am nearer home to-day
Than I ever have been before;

2 Nearer my FATHER's house,
Where the many mansions be;
Nearer the great white throne,
Nearer the crystal sea;

3 Nearer the bound of life
Where we lay our burdens down;
Nearer leaving the cross,
Nearer gaining the crown.

4 But lying darkly between,
Winding down through the night,
Is the deep and unknown stream
To be crossed ere we reach the light.

5 JESU, perfect my trust,
Strengthen the grasp of my faith:
Let me feel thee near when I stand
On the edge of the shore of death;

6 Feel thee near when my feet
Are slipping over the brink;
For it may be I'm nearer home,
Nearer now than I think. Amen.

667

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1854.

'He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.' Rev. ii. 7.

O PARADISE, O Paradise,
Who doth not crave for rest?
Who would not seek the happy land,
Where they that loved are blest;

Where loyal hearts and true,
Stand ever in the light,
All rapture through and through,
In God's most holy sight.

2 O Paradise, O Paradise,
The world is growing old;
Who would not be at rest and free
Where love is never cold?

Where loyal hearts and true.

3 O Paradise, O Paradise,
I want to sin no more,
I want to be as pure on earth
As on thy spotless shore;

Where loyal hearts and true.

*4 O Paradise, O Paradise,
'Tis weary waiting here;
I long to be where Jesus is,
To feel, to see him near;

Where loyal hearts and true.

*5 O Paradise, O Paradise,
I shall not wait for long;
E'en now the loving ear may catch
Faint fragments of thy song;
Where loyal hearts and true.

6 LORD JESU, King of Paradise,
O keep me in thy love,
And guide me to that happy land
Of perfect rest above;
Where loyal hearts and true. Amen.

668

Anne Ross Cousin, 1857.

'Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off.' Isa. xxxiii. 17.

THE sands of time are sinking,
The dawn of heaven breaks,
The summer morn I've sighed for,
The fair sweet morn awakes.
Dark, dark hath been the midnight,
But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

2 O CHRIST! he is the Fountain,
The deep, sweet well of love!
The streams on earth I've tasted
More deep I'll drink above:
There, to an ocean fulness,
His mercy doth expand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

3 With mercy and with judgment
My web of time he wove;
And aye the dews of sorrow
Were lustred with his love:

I'll bless the hand that guided,
I'll bless the heart that planned,
When throned where glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

4 I'll fall asleep in JESUS,
Filled with his likeness rise
To live and to adore him,
To see him with these eyes.
The King of kings in Zion
My presence doth command,
Where glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

5 I've wrestled on towards heaven,
'Gainst storm and wind and tide;
LORD, grant thy weary traveller
To lean on thee as guide,
And 'mid the shades of evening,
While sinks life's lingering sand,
To hail the glory dawning
In Emmanuel's land. Amen.

669

Anon., 1876

'Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.' Heb. iv. 16.

FATHER, to thee I come,
Owning how weak I am,
Grant thy sustaining arm; lead me, I pray.

2 More of thy love I'd have;
Nearer to thee would live;
Earnest heart service give, day after day.

3 In the straight narrow path,
Thou bidd'st me walk by faith;
O grant the grace that hath aided alway.

4 When I shall tempted be,
Nothing but clouds can see,
Strengthen my trust in thee; let me not stray.

5 When comes that final night,
Ere faith is changed to sight,
Be thou the perfect light, leading to day. Amen.

670

Anon., 1880.

'Give us this day.' St. Matt. vi. 11.

LORD, for to-morrow and its needs
I do not pray;
Keep me, my GOD, from stain of sin,
Just for to-day.

2 Let me both diligently work
And duly pray;
Let me be kind in word and deed,
Just for to-day.

3 Let me be slow to do my will,
Prompt to obey;
Help me to sacrifice myself,
Just for to-day.

4 Let me no wrong or idle word
Unthinking say;
Set thou a seal upon my lips,
Just for to-day.

5 Let me in season, LORD, be grave,
In season gay;
Let me be faithful to thy grace,
Just for to-day.

6 LORD, for to-morrow and its needs,
I do not pray;
But keep me, guide me, love me, LORD,
Just for to-day. Amen.

671

J. G. Whittier, 1882.

'Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.' Isa. xxvi. 3.

WHEN on my day of life the night is falling,
And in the winds from unsunned spaces blown
I hear far voices out of darkness calling
My feet to paths unknown—

2 Thou, who hast made my home of life so pleasant,
Leave not its tenant when its walls decay;
O Love Divine, O Helper ever present,
Be thou my strength and stay!

3 Be near me when all else is from me drifting—
Earth, sky, home's pictures, days of shade and shine,
And kindly faces to my own uplifting
The love which answers mine.

4 I have but thee, my FATHER! let thy SPIRIT
Be with me then to comfort and uphold;
No gate of pearl, no branch of palm I merit,
Nor street of shining gold.

5 Suffice it if—my good and ill unreckoned,
And both forgiven through thy abounding grace—
I find myself by hands familiar beckoned
Unto my fitting place;

6 Some humble door among thy many mansions,
Some sheltering shade where sin and striving cease,
And flows for ever through heaven's green expansions
The river of thy peace.

7 There from the music round about me stealing
I fain would learn the new and holy song,
And find at last, beneath thy trees of healing,
The life for which I long. Amen.

672

Mary A. Lathbury, 1877.

'Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life.'
St. John vi. 35.

BREAK thou the bread of life,
Dear LORD, to me,
As thou didst break the loaves
Beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page
I seek thee, LORD;
My spirit pants for thee,
O living Word!

2 Bless thou the truth, dear LORD.
To me, to me,
As thou didst bless the bread
By Galilee;
Then shall all bondage cease,
All fetters fall;
And I shall find my peace,
My All-in-all! Amen.

673

Rev. S. Baring-Gould, 1864.

'As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.' Ps. xvii. 15.

ON the resurrection morning
Soul and body meet again;
No more sorrow, no more weeping,
No more pain!

2 Here awhile they must be parted,
And the flesh its sabbath keep,
Waiting in a holy stillness,
Wrapt in sleep.

3 For a space the tirèd body
Lies with feet toward the dawn;
Till there breaks the last and brightest
Easter morn.

4 But the soul in contemplation
Utters earnest prayer and strong,
Bursting at the Resurrection
Into song.

5 Soul and body reunited
Thenceforth nothing shall divide,
Waking up in CHRIST's own likeness,
Satisfied.

6 O the beauty, O the gladness
Of that Resurrection day,
Which shall not through endless ages
Pass away!

7 On that happy Easter morning
All the graves their dead restore;
Father, sister, child, and mother,
Meet once more.

8 To that brightest of all meetings
Bring us, JESU CHRIST, at last;
To thy Cross, through death and judgment,
Holding fast. Amen.

674

John Oxenham, 1924.

'Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?' Acts ix. 6.

WHAT do I owe? Nay, LORD, what do I not?
—All that I am, and all that I have got—
All that I am, and that how small a thing
Compared with all thy goodly fostering.

2 What do I owe to all the world around?
—To set thee first, that grace may more abound—
To set thee first, to hold thee all in all,
And, come what may, to follow thy high call.

3 What do I owe to this dear land of ours?
—All of my best, my time, my thought, my powers—
All of my best is yet too small to give,
That this our land may to thine increase live.

4 What do I owe to those who follow on?
—To build more sure the freedom we have won—
To build more sure the Kingdoms of thy Grace,
Kingdoms secure in truth and righteousness.

5 What do I owe to CHRIST, my LORD, my King?
—That all my life be one sweet offering—
That all my life to noblest heights aspire,
That all I do be touched with holy fire. Amen.

675

Rev. George Matheson, 1881.

'Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.' 2 Cor. v. 17.

O LOVE that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

2 O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That, in thy sunshine-blaze, its day
May brighter, fairer be.

3 O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

4 O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be. Amen.

676

Frederic William Henry Myers, 1867.

'I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord.' Rev. i. 8.

CHRIST! I am CHRIST's, and let the Name suffice you,
Ay, for me too he greatly hath sufficed:
CHRIST is the end, for CHRIST was the beginning,
CHRIST the beginning, for the end is CHRIST.

2 Can it be true, the grace he is declaring?
O let us trust him, for his words are fair.
Man, what is this, and why art thou despairing?
GOD shall forgive thee all but thy despair.

3 Not as one blind and deaf to our beseeching,
Neither forgetful that we are but dust,
Not as from heavens too high for our upreaching,
Coldly sublime, intolerably just:—

4 Nay, but thou knewest us, LORD CHRIST thou knowest,
Well thou rememberest our feeble frame;
Thou canst conceive our highest and our lowest,
Pulses of nobleness and deeds of shame.

5 CHRIST! I am CHRIST's, and let the Name suffice you,
Ay, for me too he greatly hath sufficed;
CHRIST is the end, for CHRIST was the beginning,
CHRIST the beginning, for the end is CHRIST.
Amen.

LITANIES

LITANY OF THE HOLY GHOST

677 *Rev. R. F. Littledale*, 1867.

'By the power of the Spirit of God.' Rom. xv. 19.

GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne,
Spare us, HOLY TRINITY.

2 HOLY SPIRIT, heavenly Dove,
Dew descending from above,
Breath of life, and fire of love,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

3 Source of strength, of knowledge clear,
Wisdom, godliness sincere,
Understanding, counsel, fear,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

4 Source of meekness, love, and peace,
Patience, pureness, faith's increase,
Hope and joy that cannot cease,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

5 SPIRIT guiding us aright,
SPIRIT making darkness light,
SPIRIT of resistless might,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

6 Thou, by whom the Virgin bore
Him whom heaven and earth adore,
Sent our nature to restore,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

7 Thou, whom JESUS from his throne
Gave to cheer and help his own
That they might not be alone,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

8 Thou, whose grace the Church doth fill,
Showing her GOD's perfect will,
Making JESUS present still,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

9 Keep us in the narrow way,
Warn us when we go astray,
Plead within us when we pray,
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT.

10 Holy, loving, as thou art,
Come and live within my heart,
Nevermore from us depart;
Hear us, HOLY SPIRIT. Amen.

LITANY OF PENITENCE

678 *Rev. R. F. Littledale*, 1867.

'Jesus seeing their faith said . . . Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.' St. Matt. ix. 2.

GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne,
Spare us, HOLY TRINITY.

2 Thou, who leaving crown and throne
Camest here, an outcast lone,
That thou mightest save thine own,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

3 Thou with sinners wont to eat,
Who with loving words didst greet
Mary weeping at thy feet,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

4 Thou, whose saddened look did chide
Peter when he thrice denied,
Till with bitter tears he cried,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

5 Thou, who hanging on the tree
To the thief saidst, 'Thou shalt be
To-day in Paradise with me,'
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

6 That we give to sin no place,
That we never quench thy grace,
That we ever seek thy face,
We beseech thee, JESU.

7 That to sin for ever dead,
We may live to thee instead,
And the narrow pathway tread,
We beseech thee, JESU.

8 When shall end the battle sore,
When our pilgrimage is o'er,
Grant thy peace for evermore,
We beseech thee, JESU. Amen.

LITANY OF THE CHURCH

679 *Rev. T. B. Pollock*, 1871.

'The body of Christ.' 1 Cor. xii. 27.

PART 1

GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne,
Spare us, HOLY TRINITY.

2 JESU, with thy Church abide,
Be her SAVIOUR, LORD, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried:
We beseech thee, hear us.

3 Keep her life and doctrine pure,
Grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in thy promise sure:
We beseech thee, hear us.

4 All her fettered powers release,
Bid our strife and envy cease,
Grant the heavenly gift of peace:
We beseech thee, hear us.

5 May she one in doctrine be,
One in truth and charity,
Winning all to faith in thee:
We beseech thee, hear us.

6 May she guide the poor and blind,
Seek the lost until she find,
And the broken-hearted bind:
We beseech thee, hear us.

7 Save her love from growing cold,
Make her watchmen strong and bold,
Fence her round, thy peaceful fold:
We beseech thee, hear us.

Part 2

8 May her priests thy people feed,
Shepherds of the flock indeed,
Ready, where thou call'st, to lead:
We beseech thee, hear us.

9 Judge her not for work undone,
Judge her not for fields unwon,
Bless her works in thee begun:
We beseech thee, hear us.

10 For the past give deeper shame,
Make her jealous for thy Name,
Kindle zeal's most holy flame:
We beseech thee, hear us.

11 Raise her to her calling high,
Let the nations far and nigh
Hear thy heralds' warning cry:
We beseech thee, hear us.

12 May her lamp of truth be bright,
Bid her bear aloft its light
Through the realms of heathen night:
We beseech thee, hear us.

13 May she holy triumphs win,
Overthrow the hosts of sin,
Gather all the nations in:
We beseech thee, hear us.

14 May she soon all glorious be,
Spotless and from wrinkle free,
Pure, and bright, and worthy thee:
We beseech thee, hear us. Amen.

LITANY OF THE INCARNATE WORD

680 *Rev. T. B. Pollock*, 1868.

'The Word was made flesh.' St. John i. 14.

Part 1

GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne,
Spare us, HOLY TRINITY.

2 SON of GOD, for man decreed
To be born the woman's Seed,
Very GOD and Man indeed,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

3 SAVIOUR, full of truth and grace,
Leaving thine eternal place
To restore our fallen race,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

4 Image of the GOD unseen,
Still what thou hadst ever been,
Though in form of infant mean,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

5 WORD, by whom the worlds were made,
In a lowly manger laid,
Taught on earth an humble trade,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

PART 2

6 JESU, led by love to share
All the forms of grief and care,
That we sinful mortals bear,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

7 Good Physician, come to cure
All the ills that men endure,
And to make our nature pure,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

8 Shepherd, who thy watch dost keep,
Guarding still thy chosen sheep
From the spoiler's malice deep,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

9 Lamb, from earth's foundation slain,
By whose bitter stripes of pain
We are freed from guilty stain,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

10 Standing now before the throne,
Pleading that which can alone
For the sin of man atone,
Hear us, HOLY JESU. Amen.

LITANY OF THE PASSION

681 *Rev. R. F. Littledale,* 1867.

'His passion.' Acts i. 3.

GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
GOD the SPIRIT, THREE in ONE,
Hear us from thy heavenly throne,
Spare us, HOLY TRINITY.

2 JESU, who for us didst bear
Scorn and sorrow, toil and care,
Hearken to our lowly prayer;
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

3 By that hour of agony,
Spent while thine apostles three
Slumbered in Gethsemane,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

4 By the kiss of treachery
To thy foes betraying thee,
By thy harsh captivity,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

5 By the scourging thou hast borne,
By the purple robe of scorn,
By the reed and crown of thorn,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

6 By thy sufferings when the Jews
Did a malefactor choose,
And did thee, their King, refuse,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

7 By thy nailing to the tree,
By the title over thee,
By the gloom of Calvary,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

8 By the parting of thy clothes,
By the mocking of thy foes,
As they watched thy dying woes,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

9 By thy seven words then said,
By the bowing of thy head,
By thy numbering with the dead,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

10 When temptation sore is rife,
When we faint amidst the strife,
Thou, whose death hath been our life,
Save us, HOLY JESU.

11 So, with hope in thee made fast,
When death's bitterness is past
We may see thy face at last:
Save us, HOLY JESU. Amen.

LITANY OF THE SEVEN LAST WORDS FROM THE CROSS

682 *Rev. T. B. Pollock*, 1870.

'Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.'
Col. iii. 16.

'*Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.*'

JESU, in thy dying woes,
Even while thy life-blood flows,
Craving pardon for thy foes,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

2 SAVIOUR, for our pardon sue,
When our sins thy pangs renew,
For we know not what we do:—
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

3 O may we, who mercy need,
Be like thee in heart and deed,
When with wrong our spirits bleed,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

'*To-day shalt thou be with me in Paradise.*'

4 JESU, pitying the sighs
Of the thief who near thee dies,
Promising him Paradise,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

5 May we, in our guilt and shame,
Still thy love and mercy claim,
Calling humbly on thy Name.
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

6 O remember those who pine,
Looking from their cross to thine;
Cheer their souls with hope divine.
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

'*Woman, behold thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother!*'

7 JESU, loving to the end
Her whose heart thy sorrows rend,
And thy dearest human friend,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

8 May we in thy sorrows share,
For thy sake all peril dare,
Ever know thy tender care,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

9 May we all thy loved ones be—
All one holy family,
Loving for the love of thee.
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

'*My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me.*'

10 JESU, whelmed in fears unknown,
With our evil left alone,
While no light from heaven is shown,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

11 When we seem in vain to pray,
And our hope seems far away,
In the darkness be our stay,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

12 Though no FATHER seem to hear,
Though no light our spirits cheer,
May we know that GOD is near,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

'*I thirst.*'

13 JESU, in thy thirst and pain,
While thy wounds thy life-blood drain,
Thirsting more our love to gain;
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

14 Long for us in mercy still;
May we thy desires fulfil—
Satisfy thy loving will,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

15 May we thirst thy love to know;
Lead us, worn with sin and woe,
Where the healing waters flow.
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

'*It is finished.*'

16 JESU—all our ransom paid,
All thy FATHER's will obeyed—
By thy sufferings perfect made;
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

17 Save us in our soul's distress,
Be our help to cheer and bless,
While we grow in holiness,
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

18 Brighten all our heavenward way
With an ever holier ray,
Till we pass to perfect day.
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

'*Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.*'

19 JESU—all thy labour vast,
All thy woe and conflict past—
Yielding up thy soul at last;
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

20 When the death-shades round us lower,
Guard us from the tempter's power,
Keep us in that trial hour;
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

21 May thy life and death supply
Grace to live and grace to die,
Grace to reach the home on high;
Hear us, HOLY JESU. Amen.

ALSO THE FOLLOWING:
Nos. 124, 440, 729, 811 (a).

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'Give us this day our daily bread.' St. Matt. vi. 11.

The Adelynrood Grace.

a. BROTHER and LORD, among thy people sitting,
LORD of our toil, bestower of our rest,
LORD of our feast, to thee as is most fitting,
Praises and thanks we bring, our whole heart's best:
JESUS, be thou our Guest. Amen.

Mary S. Edgar, 1925.

b. We thank thee, FATHER, for thy care,
And for thy bounty everywhere;
For this and every other gift
Our grateful hearts to thee we lift.

Rev. J. Cennick, 18th cent.

c. Be present at our table, LORD,
Be here and everywhere adored;
Bless these thy gifts, and grant that we
May with our lives give thanks to thee.

Rev. J. Cennick, 18th cent.

d. We thank thee, LORD, for this our food,
For life and health and every good;
May manna to our souls be given,
The bread of life sent down from heaven.

Robert Walmsley, 1900.

e. Our FATHER GOD, in whom we live,
Accept the thanks thy children give;
Our needs are by thy bounty met,
May we the Giver ne'er forget.

See also the first verses of Hymns No. 1 (Morning), 102, 312, and 648 (Evening).

The following may be said:

Psalm 145.

f. Leader: The eyes of all wait upon thee, O LORD:

All: And thou givest them their meat in due season.

Leader: Thou openest thine hand:

All: And fillest all things living with plenteousness.

g. For what we are about to receive may the LORD make us truly thankful, and may we ever be mindful of the needs of others.

h. For these and all thy mercies, LORD, thy holy Name be praised.

i. Bless, O LORD, these thy gifts to our use, and ourselves to thy service, for JESUS CHRIST's sake. Amen.

k. For food and friends and all GOD sends we give him grateful thanks.

A CHILD'S GRACE

E. Rutter Leatham, 1908.

Thank you for the world so sweet;
Thank you for the food we eat;
Thank you for the birds that sing;
Thank you, GOD, for everything.

684

J. W. MacGill, 1895.

'And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.' St. Luke xiii. 29.

COMING, coming—yes, they are,
Coming, coming, from afar—
From the wild and scorching desert,
Afric's sons of colour deep;
JESUS' love has drawn and won them,
At his Cross they bow and weep.

2 Coming, coming—yes, they are,
Coming, coming, from afar—
From the fields and crowded cities
China gathers to his feet;
In his love Shem's gentle children
Now have found a safe retreat.

3 Coming, coming—yes, they are,
Coming, coming, from afar—
From the Indus and the Ganges
Steady flows the living stream,
To love's ocean, to his bosom,
Calvary their wondering theme.

4 Coming, coming—yes, they are,
Coming, coming, from afar—
From the frozen realms of midnight,
Over many a weary mile,
To exchange their souls' long winter
For the summer of his smile.

5 Coming, coming—yes, they are,
Coming, coming, from afar—
All to meet in plains of glory,
All to sing his praises sweet,
What a chorus, what a meeting,
With the family complete. Amen.

685

Bishop W. Walsham How, 1873.

'Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children: Let them praise the name of the Lord: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven.' Ps. cxlviii. 12, 13.

COME, praise your LORD and SAVIOUR,
In strains of holy mirth;
Give thanks to him, O children,
Who lived a child on earth.
He loved the little children
And called them to his side,
His loving arms embraced them,
And for their sake he died.

Boys only.

2 O JESU, we would praise thee
With songs of holy joy;
For thou on earth didst sojourn
A pure and spotless boy.
Make us like thee, obedient,
Like thee from sin-stains free,
Like thee in GOD's own temple,
In lowly home like thee.

Girls only.

3 O JESU, we too praise thee,
The lowly Maiden's Son,
In thee all gentlest graces
Are gathered into one.
O give that best adornment
That Christian maid can wear,
The meek and quiet spirit
Which shone in thee so fair!

All.

4 O LORD, with voices blended
We sing our songs of praise;
Be thou the Light and Pattern
Of all our childhood's days;

And lead us ever onward,
  That while we stay below,
We may, like thee, O JESU,
  In grace and wisdom grow. Amen.

686

Rev. J. J. Daniell, 1868.

'Let thy heart cheer thee in the days of the youth.'
Eccles. xi. 9.

COME, sing with holy gladness,
  High alleluias sing,
Uplift your loud hosannas
  To JESUS, LORD and King;
Sing, boys, in joyful chorus
  Your hymn of praise to-day
And sing, ye gentle maidens,
  Your sweet responsive lay.

2 'Tis good for boys and maidens
  Sweet hymns to CHRIST to sing,
'Tis meet that children's voices
  Should praise the children's King:
For JESUS is salvation,
  And glory, grace, and rest;
To babe, and boy, and maiden
  The one Redeemer blest.

3 O boys, be strong in JESUS,
  To toil for him is gain,
And JESUS wrought with Joseph
  With chisel, saw, and plane;
O maidens, live for JESUS,
  Who was a maiden's Son;
Be patient, pure, and gentle,
  And perfect grace begun.

4 Soon in the golden city
  The boys and girls shall play,
And through the dazzling mansions
  Rejoice in endless day;

O CHRIST, prepare thy children
With that triumphant throng
To pass the burnished portals,
And sing the eternal song. Amen.

687

Anon., 1881.

'The gold for things of gold, and the silver for things of silver, and for all manner of work to be made by the hands of artificers. And who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?' 1 Chron. xxix. 5.

THE wise may bring their learning,
The rich may bring their gold;
And some may bring their greatness,
And glories new and old;
We too would bring our treasures
To offer to the King.
We have no wealth nor wisdom;
What shall we children bring?

2 We'll bring him hearts that love him,
We'll bring him thankful praise,
And young souls meekly striving
To walk in holy ways.
And these shall be the treasures
We offer to the King,
And these are gifts that even
The poorest child may bring.

3 We'll bring the little duties,
We have to do each day,
We'll try our best to please him
At home, at school, at play.
And better are these treasures
To offer to our King,
Than richest gifts without them,
Yet these a child may bring. Amen.

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Tr. from the Polish
by Edith M. G. Reed.

INFANT holy,
Infant lowly,
For his bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing,
Little knowing
CHRIST the Babe is LORD of all.
Swift are winging
Angels singing,
Nowells ringing,
Tidings bringing,
CHRIST the Babe is LORD of all.

2 Flocks were sleeping,
Shepherds keeping
Vigil till the morning new
Saw the glory,
Heard the story,
Tidings of a gospel true,
Thus rejoicing,
Free from sorrow,
Praises voicing
Greet the morrow,
CHRIST the Babe was born for you.

Amen.

689

W. M. Hutchings, 1850.

'And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.' St. Mark x. 16.

WHEN mothers of Salem their children brought to JESUS,
The stern disciples drove them back, and bade them depart:
But JESUS saw them ere they fled, and sweetly smiled and kindly said,
'Suffer little children to come unto me.'

2 'For I will receive them and fold them to my bosom:
I'll be a shepherd to these lambs, O drive them not away;
For if their hearts to me they give, they shall with me in glory live:
Suffer little children to come unto me.'

3 How kind was our SAVIOUR to bid these children welcome!
But there are many thousands who have never heard his Name;
The Bible they have never read, they know not that the SAVIOUR said,
'Suffer little children to come unto me.'

4 O soon may the heathen of every tribe and nation
Fulfil thy blessèd Word and cast their idols all away!
O shine upon them from above, and show thyself a GOD of love,
Teach the little children to come unto thee!
Amen.

690

Margaret Sangster, 1893.

'And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth.' Joel ii. 30.

THE ships glide in at the harbour's mouth,
And the ships sail out to sea,
And the wind that sweeps from the sunny south
Is sweet as sweet can be.
There's a world of toil, and a world of pains,
And a world of trouble and care,
But O, in a world where our FATHER reigns,
There is gladness everywhere.

2 The harvest waves in the breezy morn,
And the men go forth to reap;
The fulness comes to the tasselled corn,
Whether we wake or sleep.
And far on the hills by feet untrod
There are blossoms that scent the air,
For O, in this world of our FATHER GOD,
There is beauty everywhere. Amen.

691

Christina G. Rossetti, c. 1872.

'My son, give me thine heart.' Prov. xxiii. 26.

IN the bleak mid-winter,
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter,
Long ago.

2 Our GOD, heaven cannot hold him,
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When he comes to reign;

In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The LORD GOD Almighty,
JESUS CHRIST.

3 Angels and archangels
May have gathered there,
Cherubim and Seraphim
Thronged the air;
But only his mother
In her maiden bliss,
Worshipped the Belovèd
With a kiss.

4 What can I give him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd,
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man,
I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him—
Give my heart. Amen.

692

Marianne Nunn, 1817.

'A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly; and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.' Prov. xviii. 24.

ONE there is above all others,
O how he loves!
His is love beyond a brother's,
O how he loves!
Earthly friends may fail or leave us,
One day soothe, the next day grieve us,
But this Friend will ne'er deceive us,
O how he loves!

2 'Tis eternal life to know him,
O how he loves!
Think, O think how much we owe him,
O how he loves!

With his precious Blood he bought us,
In the wilderness he sought us,
To his fold he safely brought us,
O how he loves!

3 We have found a friend in JESUS,
O how he loves!
'Tis his great delight to bless us,
O how he loves!
How our hearts delight to hear him
Bid us dwell in safety near him;
Why should we distrust or fear him?
O how he loves!

4 Through his Name we are forgiven,
O how he loves!
Backward shall our foes be driven,
O how he loves!
Best of blessings he'll provide us,
Nought but good shall e'er betide us,
Safe to glory he will guide us,
O how he loves! Amen.

693

Jemima Luke, 1841.

'But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.' St. Luke xviii. 16.

I THINK when I read that sweet story of old,
When JESUS was here among men,
How he called little children as lambs to his fold;
I should like to have been with him then.

2 I wish that his hands had been placed on my head,
That his arm had been thrown around me,
And that I might have seen his kind look when he said,
'Let the little ones come unto me.'

3 Yet still to his footstool in prayer I may go,
And ask for a share in his love,
And if I now earnestly seek him below,
I shall see him and hear him above:

4 In that beautiful place he is gone to prepare
For all who are washed and forgiven;
And many dear children are gathering there,
For of such is the kingdom of heaven.

5 But thousands and thousands who wander and fall
Never heard of that heavenly home;
I should like them to know there is room for them all,
And that JESUS has bid them to come.

6 I long for the joy of that glorious time,
The sweetest and brightest and best,
When the dear little children of every clime
Shall crowd to his arms and be blest. Amen.

694

William Henry Parker, 1885.

'That ye may tell it to the generation following.'
Ps. xlviii. 13.

TELL me the stories of JESUS
I love to hear;
Things I would ask him to tell me
If he were here;
Scenes by the wayside,
Tales of the sea,
Stories of JESUS,
Tell them to me.

2 First let me hear how the children
Stood round his knee,
And I shall fancy his blessing
Resting on me:

Words full of kindness,
Deeds full of grace,
All in the lovelight
Of JESUS' face.

3 Into the city I'd follow
The children's band,
Waving a branch of the palm-tree
High in my hand;
One of his heralds,
Yes, I would sing
Loudest hosannas,
JESUS is King!

4 Tell me, in accents of wonder,
How rolled the sea
Tossing the boat in a tempest
On Galilee!
And how the Master,
Ready and kind,
Chided the billows
And hushed the wind.

5 Tell how the sparrow that twitters
On yonder tree,
And the sweet meadow-side lily
May speak to me:
Give me their message,
For I would hear
How JESUS taught us
Our FATHER's care.

6 Show me that scene in the garden
Of bitter pain;
And of the Cross where my SAVIOUR
For me was slain.
Sad ones or bright ones,
So that they be
Stories of JESUS,
Tell them to me. Amen.

695

Ascribed to M. M. Dodge.

'Abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God.'
2 Cor. ix. 12.

CAN a little child like me
Thank the FATHER fittingly?
Yes, O yes! be good and true,
Patient, kind in all you do;
Love the LORD, and do your part;
Learn to say with all your heart,

FATHER, we thank thee,
FATHER in heaven, we thank thee.

2 For the fruit upon the tree,
For the birds that sing of thee,
For the earth in beauty drest,
Father, mother, and the rest,
For thy precious, loving care,
For thy bounty everywhere,

FATHER, we thank thee.

3 For the sunshine warm and bright,
For the day and for the night,
For the lessons of our youth—
Honour, gratitude, and truth,
For the love that met us here,
For the home and for the cheer,

FATHER, we thank thee.

4 For our comrades and our plays,
And our happy holidays,
For the joyful work and true
That a little child may do,
For our lives but just begun,
For the great gift of thy SON,

FATHER, we thank thee. Amen.

696

Mary Duncan, 1839.

'He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.' Isa. xl. 11.

JESU, tender Shepherd, hear me,
Bless thy little lamb to-night;
Through the darkness be thou near me,
Keep me safe till morning light.

2 Through this day thy hand has led me,
And I thank thee for thy care;
Thou hast warmed me, clothed and fed me,
Listen to my evening prayer.

3 Let my sins be all forgiven,
Bless the friends I love so well;
Take me, when I die, to heaven,
Happy there with thee to dwell. Amen.

697

Bishop Christopher Wordsworth, 1863.

'The Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above.' Gen. xlix. 25.

HEAVENLY FATHER, send thy blessing
On thy children gathered here,
May they all, thy Name confessing,
Be to thee for ever dear:
May they be, like Joseph, loving,
Dutiful, and chaste, and pure;
And their faith, like David, proving,
Steadfast unto death endure.

2 Holy SAVIOUR, who in meekness
Didst vouchsafe a child to be,
Guide their steps, and help their weakness,
Bless and make them like to thee;
Bear thy lambs, when they are weary,
In thine arms and at thy breast;
Through life's desert, dry and dreary,
Bring them to thy heavenly rest.

3 Spread thy golden pinions o'er them,
HOLY SPIRIT, from above,
Guide them, lead them, go before them,
Give them peace, and joy, and love:
Thy true temples, HOLY SPIRIT,
May they with thy glory shine,
And immortal bliss inherit,
And for evermore be thine. Amen.

698

Jane E. Leeson, 1842.

'My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.' St. John x. 27, 28.

LOVING Shepherd of thy sheep,
Keep us all, in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand,
None can pluck us from thy hand.

2 Loving SAVIOUR, thou didst give
Thine own life that we might live,
Bought with Blood, and bought for thee,
Thine, and only thine, we'd be.

3 We would praise thee every day,
Gladly all thy will obey,
Like thy blessèd ones above
Happy in thy precious love.

4 Loving Shepherd, ever near,
Teach us all thy voice to hear,
Suffer not our steps to stray
From the straight and narrow way.

5 Where thou leadest we would go,
Walking in thy steps below,
Till before our FATHER's throne
We shall know as we are known. Amen.

699

Jane E. Leeson, 1842.

'If ye love me, keep my commandments.' St. John xiv. 15.

SAVIOUR, teach me day by day,
Love's sweet lesson—to obey;
Sweeter lesson cannot be,
Loving him who first loved me.

2 With a child's glad heart of love,
At thy bidding may I move;
Prompt to serve and follow thee,
Loving him who first loved me.

3 Teach me thus thy steps to trace,
Strong to follow in thy grace;
Learning how to love from thee;
Loving him who first loved me.

4 Love in loving finds employ,
In obedience all her joy;
Ever new that joy will be,
Loving him who first loved me.

5 Thus may I rejoice to show
That I feel the love I owe;
Singing, till thy face I see,
Of his love who first loved me. Amen.

700

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1869.

'He giveth his beloved sleep.' Ps. cxxvii. 2.

NOW the light has gone away,
SAVIOUR, listen while I pray,
Asking thee to watch and keep,
And to send me quiet sleep.

2 JESU, SAVIOUR, wash away
All that has been wrong to-day;
Help me every day to be
Good and gentle, more like thee.

3 Let my near and dear ones be
Always near and dear to thee;
O bring me and all I love
To thy happy home above.

4 Now my evening praise I give:
Thou didst die that I might live;
Thou my best and kindest Friend,
Thou wilt love me to the end. Amen.

701

Katherine Hankey, 1888.

'Of these things put them in remembrance.' 2 Tim. ii. 14.

ADVENT tells us CHRIST is near;
Christmas tells us CHRIST is here;
In Epiphany we trace
All the glory of his grace.

2 Those three Sundays before Lent
Will prepare us to repent,
That in Lent we may begin
Earnestly to mourn for sin.

3 Holy Week and Easter, then,
Tell who died and rose again:
O that happy Easter Day!
'CHRIST is risen indeed,' we say.

4 Yes, and CHRIST ascended, too,
To prepare a place for you;
So we give him special praise
After those great Forty Days.

5 Then he sent the HOLY GHOST,
On the Day of Pentecost,
With us ever to abide:
Well may we keep Whitsuntide.

6 Last of all, we humbly sing
Glory to our GOD and King,
Glory to the ONE in THREE
On the Feast of TRINITY. Amen.

702

Rev. W. Charter Piggott, 1931.

'Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.' St. Luke ii. 52.

IN our work and in our play,
JESUS, be thou ever near;
Guarding, guiding all the day,
Keep us in thy presence dear.

2 Thou, who at thy mother's knee
Learned to hearken and obey,
Then, work done, ran happily
With the children to their play;

3 Help us, that with eager mind
We may learn both fact and rule,
Patient, diligent, and kind
In the comradeship of school.

4 Help us, too, in sport and game
Gallantly to play our part;
Win or lose, to keep the same
Dauntless spirit and brave heart.

5 May we grow like thee in grace,
True in mind and pure of soul,
Meeting life with steadfast face,
Run its race and reach the goal. Amen.

703

M. J. Willcox, 1888.

'Thy name is as ointment poured forth.' Song of Sol. i. 3.

ONCE again, dear LORD, we pray
For the children far away,
Who have never even heard
Name of JESUS, sweetest word.

2 Little lips that thou hast made,
'Neath the far off temple's shade
Give to gods of wood and stone
Praise that should be all thine own.

3 Little hands, whose wondrous skill
Thou hast given to do thy will,
Off'rings bring, and serve with fear
Gods that cannot see or hear.

4 Teach them, O thou heavenly King,
All their gifts and praise to bring
To thy SON, who died to prove
Thy forgiving, saving love. Amen.

704

W. H. Parker, 1830.

'The Holy Ghost shall teach you.' St. Luke xii. 12

HOLY SPIRIT, hear us;
Help us while we sing;
Breathe into the music
Of the praise we bring.

2 HOLY SPIRIT, prompt us
When we kneel to pray;
Nearer come and teach us
What we ought to say.

3 HOLY SPIRIT, shine thou
On the book we read;
Gild its holy pages
With the light we need.

4 HOLY SPIRIT, give us
Each a lowly mind;
Make us more like JESUS,
Gentle, pure, and kind.

5 HOLY SPIRIT, help us
Daily by thy might,
What is wrong to conquer,
And to choose the right. Amen.

705

Rev. James Thomas East, in School Worship, 1926.

'The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him.' Ps. xxxiv. 7.

WISE men seeking JESUS
Travelled from afar,
Guided on their journey
By a beauteous star.

2 But if we desire him,
He is close at hand;
For our native country
Is our Holy Land.

3 Prayerful souls may find him
By our quiet lakes,
Meet him on our hillsides
When the morning breaks.

4 In our fertile cornfields
While the sheaves are bound,
In our busy markets,
JESUS may be found.

5 Fishermen talk with him
By the great north sea,
As the first disciples
Did in Galilee.

6 Every peaceful village
In our land might be
Made by JESUS' presence
Like sweet Bethany.

7 He is more than near us,
If we love him well;
For he seeketh ever
In our hearts to dwell. Amen.

706

Anne Shepherd, 1836.

'These are they which . . . have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.' Rev. vii. 14.

AROUND the throne of GOD in heaven
Shall countless children stand,
Children whose sins are all forgiven,
A holy, happy band;
Singing glory, glory,
Glory be to GOD on high!

2 In flowing robes of spotless white
Shall each one be arrayed;
Shall dwell in everlasting light,
And joys that never fade.
Singing glory, glory.

3 How shall they reach that world above,
That heaven so bright and fair,
Where all is peace and joy and love—
How came those children there?
Singing glory, glory.

4 Because the SAVIOUR shed his Blood
To wash away their sin;
Bathed in that pure and precious flood
Behold them white and clean,
Singing glory, glory.

5 On earth they sought their SAVIOUR's grace,
On earth they loved his Name!
At last they see his blessèd face,
And stand before the Lamb;
Singing glory, glory. Amen.

707

Major's Book of Praise for Home and School, 1869.

'No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.' Ps. lxxxiv. 11.

SEE the shining dewdrops
On the flowers strewed,
Proving, as they sparkle,
GOD is ever good.

2 See the morning sunbeams
Lighting up the wood,
Silently proclaiming,
'GOD is ever good.'

3 Hear the mountain streamlet
In the solitude,
With its ripple saying,
'GOD is ever good.'

4 In the leafy tree-tops,
Where no fears intrude,
Merry birds are singing,
'GOD is ever good.'

5 Bring, my heart, thy tribute,
Songs of gratitude;
While all nature utters,
'GOD is ever good.' Amen.

708

Rev. Walter J. Mathams, 1882.

'Jesus called a little child unto him.' St. Matt. xviii. 2.

JESUS, Friend of little children,
Be a friend to me;
Take my hand, and ever keep me
Close to thee.

2 Teach me how to grow in goodness,
Daily as I grow:
Thou hast been a child, and surely
Thou dost know.

3 Never leave me, nor forsake me;
Ever be my friend;
For I need thee, from life's dawning
To its end. Amen.

709

Harriet B. McKeever, 1857.

'Jesus . . . being by the right hand of God exalted.'
Acts ii. 32, 33.

JESU, high in glory,
Lend a listening ear;
When we bow before thee,
Children's praises hear.

2 Though thou art so holy,
Heaven's eternal King,
Thou wilt stoop to listen
When thy praise we sing.

3 We are only children,
Weak and apt to stray;
SAVIOUR, guide and keep us
In the heavenly way.

4 Save us, LORD, from sinning;
Watch us day by day;
Help us now to love thee;
Take our sins away:

5 Then when JESUS calls us
To our heavenly home,
We would gladly answer,
'SAVIOUR, LORD, we come.' Amen.

710

Rebecca Weston, c. 1890.

'Giving thanks always for all things. . . . With good will doing service, as to the Lord.' Eph. v. 20; vi. 7.

FATHER, we thank thee for the night,
And for the pleasant morning light;
For rest and food and loving care,
And all that makes the day so fair.

2 Help us to do the things we should,
To be to others kind and good;
In all we do, in work or play,
To grow more loving every day. Amen.

711

Rev. T. B. Pollock, 1868.

'The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.' Ps. xxiii. 1.

FAITHFUL Shepherd, feed me
In the pastures green;
Faithful Shepherd, lead me
Where thy steps are seen.

2 Hold me fast and guide me
In the narrow way,
So, with thee beside me,
I shall never stray.

3 Daily bring me nearer
To the heavenly shore;
May thy love grow dearer,
May I love thee more.

4 Hallow every pleasure,
Sanctify my pain;
Be thyself my treasure,
Though none else I gain.

5 Give me joy or sadness,
This be all my care,
That eternal gladness
I with thee may share.

6 Day by day prepare me,
As thou seest best,
Then let angels bear me
To thy promised rest. Amen.

712

Rev. J. D. Burns, 1856.

'Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.' 1 Sam. iii. 9.

HUSHED was the evening hymn,
The temple courts were dark;
The lamp was burning dim
Before the sacred ark;
When suddenly a voice divine
Rang through the silence of the shrine.

2 The old man, meek and mild,
The priest of Israel, slept;
His watch the temple-child,
The little Levite, kept;
And what from Eli's sense was sealed
The LORD to Hannah's son revealed.

3 O give me Samuel's ear,
The open ear, O LORD,
Alive and quick to hear
Each whisper of thy word,
Like him to answer at thy call,
And to obey thee first of all.

4 O give me Samuel's heart,
A lowly heart, that waits
Where in thy house thou art,
Or watches at thy gates;
By day and night, a heart that still
Moves at the breathing of thy will.

5 O give me Samuel's mind,
A sweet, unmurmuring faith,
Obedient and resigned
To thee in life and death,
That I may read with childlike eyes
Truths that are hidden from the wise. Amen.

713

Anna B. Warner, 1859.

'The love of Christ, which passeth knowledge.'
Eph. iii. 19.

JESUS loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to him belong,
They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, JESUS loves me—
Yes, JESUS loves me—
Yes, JESUS loves me,
The Bible tells me so.

2 JESUS loves me, he who died
Heaven's gate to open wide;
He will wash away my sin,
Let his little child come in.

Yes, JESUS loves me.

3 Gentle JESUS, with me stay
Close beside me all the way;
When at last I come to die
Take me home with thee on high.

Yes, JESUS loves me. Amen.

714

Esther Wiglesworth, 1881.

'I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.' Ps. xvi. 8.

CHRISTIAN children, Advent bids you
Meet your LORD upon his way;
Watch, for now the night is waning,
Soon will dawn the endless day.

2 Christian children, JESUS bids you
Daily pray 'Thy kingdom come';
Watch, and wait for his appearing
Till he come to take you home.

3 Christian children, he anoints you
With his SPIRIT from above;
See then that your lamps be burning
With the fire of faith and love.

4 Christian children, when we think not
We shall hear the aweful cry,
'Go ye forth to meet the Bridegroom;
Haste, for JESUS draweth nigh!'

5 Christian children, they shall meet him,
Faithful children of the light;
They whose lamps are trimmed and burning,
And their garments pure and white.

6 O how blest to fall before him!
O how blest his praise to sing!
Love him, serve him, and adore him,
In the city of our King! Amen.

715

Frederick A. Jackson, 1908.

'Jesus said, Suffer little children, . . . to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.' St. Matt. xix. 14.

STANDING in the market-place,
JESUS watched the children play,
Where the Eastern sunshine fell
All the merry summer day.

Praise to JESUS while we play,
Praise him, praise him all the day.

2 As he watched the children's games,
All his heart went out to bless;
He was glad to see them there,
And he shared their happiness.

Praise to JESUS while we play.

3 JESUS watches children still
Laughing, shouting, in their glee;
These are they of whom he said,
'Suffer them to come to me.'
Praise to JESUS while we play. Amen.

716 *For use in Lent.* *A. C. Ainger*, 1926.

'The service of God.' Rom. ix. 4.

NOT ours to mourn and weep
In life's first joyous years:
How shall we strive the fast to keep
With better gifts than tears?

2 Not ours to offer gold:
What then can we afford
Of higher worth than gems untold
To deck thine altar, LORD?

3 We come with hearts intent
Thy great law to fulfil:
Through all the solemn time of Lent
We come to do thy will.

4 Each thought, each word, each deed,
From all defilement free,
Our daily care for others' need,
We sacrifice to thee.

5 So may we keep the fast
With better gifts than tears,
Strong in thy service to the last
Through all life's coming years.
Amen.

717

Emily Huntington Miller, 1867

'For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead. 2 Cor. v. 14.

I LOVE to hear the story
Which angel voices tell,
How once the King of glory
Came down on earth to dwell.
I am both weak and sinful,
But this I surely know,
The LORD came down to save me,
Because he loved me so.

I love to hear the story
Which angel voices tell,
How once the King of glory
Came down on earth to dwell.

2 I'm glad my blessèd SAVIOUR
Was once a child like me,
To show how pure and holy
His little ones might be;
And if I try to follow
His footsteps here below,
He never will forget me,
Because he loves me so.

I love to hear the story.

3 To sing his love and mercy
My sweetest songs I'll raise;
And though I cannot see him
I know he hears my praise;
For he has kindly promised
That even I may go
To sing among his angels,
Because he loves me so.

I love to hear the story. Amen.

718 *For a Flower Service.* *Author unknown.*

'Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father.' Eph. v. 20.

WE thank thee, O our FATHER,
For all thy loving care;
We thank thee that thou madest
The world so bright and fair.
We thank thee for the sunshine,
And for the pleasant showers;
And O, our GOD, we thank thee,
We thank thee for the flowers.

2 Out in the sunny meadows
And in the woodlands cool,
Upon the breezy hillside,
And by each reedy pool,
And in the quiet pasture,
And by the broad highway;
All pure, and fresh, and stainless,
They spring up every day.

3 And in the dusty city,
Where busy crowds pass by,
And where the tall dark houses
Stand up and hide the sky;
And where through lanes and alleys
No pleasant breezes blow,
E'en there, O GOD, our FATHER,
Thou mak'st the flowers grow.

4 And whether in the city
Or in the fields they dwell;
Always the same sweet message
The fair, sweet flowers tell.
For they are all so wondrous,
They show thy power abroad;
And they are all so beauteous,
They tell thy love, O GOD. Amen.

719

Susan Warner, 1819–1885.

'Among whom ye shine as lights in the world.' Phil. ii. 15.

JESUS bids us shine
With a pure, clear light,
Like a little candle
Burning in the night;
In this world of darkness
So we must shine—
You in your small corner,
And I in mine.

2 JESUS bids us shine
First of all for him;
Well he sees and knows it,
If our light grows dim;
He looks down from heaven
To see us shine—
You in your small corner,
And I in mine.

3 JESUS bids us shine,
Then, for all around
Many kinds of darkness
In the world abound—
Sin and want and sorrow;
So we must shine—
You in your small corner,
And I in mine. Amen.

720

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848.

'Put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil; learn to do well.' Isa. i. 16, 17.

DO no sinful action,
Speak no angry word;
Ye belong to JESUS,
Children of the LORD.

2 CHRIST is kind and gentle,
CHRIST is pure and true;
And his little children
Must be holy too.

3 There's a wicked spirit
Watching round you still,
And he tries to tempt you
To all harm and ill.

4 But ye must not hear him,
Though 'tis hard for you
To resist the evil,
And the good to do.

5 For ye promised truly,
In your infant days,
To renounce him wholly,
And forsake his ways.

6 Ye are new-born Christians,
Ye must learn to fight
With the bad within you,
And to do the right.

7 CHRIST is your own Master,
He is good and true,
And his little children
Must be holy too. Amen.

721

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848.

'He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.' Eccles. iii. 11.

ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The LORD GOD made them all.

2 Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings—
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.

All things bright.

3 The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset, and the morning
That brightens up the sky.

All things bright.

4 The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden—
He made them every one.

All things bright.

5 He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is GOD Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

All things bright. Amen.

722

Rev. George W. Bethune, 1857; Refrain: *Rev. William Hunter*, 1859.

'There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.' Acts iv. 12.

THERE is a Name most sweet on earth,
A Name most sweet in heaven,
The Name before his wondrous birth
To CHRIST the SAVIOUR given.

Sweetest note in seraph song,
Sweetest name on mortal tongue,
Sweetest carol ever sung,
'JESUS, blessèd JESUS.'

2 When JESUS hung upon the Tree
They wrote his Name above him;
That all might see the reason we
For evermore must love him.
Sweetest note in seraph song.

3 Now seated on his FATHER's throne,
All knees must bow before him;
And every tongue confess his Name,
And every heart adore him.
Sweetest note in seraph song. Amen.

723

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848.

'Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off.' Isa. xxxiii. 17.

EVERY morning the red sun
Rises warm and bright;
But the evening cometh on,
And the dark, cold night.
There's a bright land far away,
Where 'tis never-ending day.

2 Every spring the sweet young flowers
Open bright and gay,
Till the chilly autumn hours
Wither them away.
There's a land we have not seen,
Where the trees are always green.

3 Little birds sing songs of praise
All the summer long,
But in colder, shorter days
They forget their song.
There's a place where angels sing
Ceaseless praises to their King.

4 CHRIST our LORD is ever near
Those who follow him;
But we cannot see him here,
For our eyes are dim;
There is a most happy place,
Where men always see his face.

5 Who shall go to that bright land?
All who do the right;
Holy children there shall stand
In their robes of white;
For that heaven, so bright and blest,
Is our everlasting rest. Amen.

724

William O. Cushing, 1866.

'And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels.' Mal. iii. 17.

WHEN he cometh, when he cometh,
To make up his jewels,
All his jewels, precious jewels,
His loved and his own,
Like the stars of the morning,
His bright crown adorning,
They shall shine in their beauty,
Bright gems for his crown.

2 He will gather, he will gather,
The gems for his kingdom;
All the pure ones, all the bright ones,
His loved and his own.
Like the stars of the morning.

3 Little children, little children,
Who love their Redeemer,
Are the jewels, precious jewels,
His loved and his own.
Like the stars of the morning. Amen.

725

Rev. B. R. Hanby, 1866.

'God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.' 1 Tim. iii. 16.

WHO is he in yonder stall,
At whose feet the shepherds fall?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!*
'Tis the LORD*, the King of glory!*
At his feet we humbly fall:
Crown him, crown him, LORD *of all.*

2 Who is he in yonder cot,
Bending to his toilsome lot?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!*

3 Who is he in deep distress,
Fasting in the wilderness?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!*

4 Who is he that stands and weeps
At the grave where Lazarus sleeps?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!*

5 Lo, at midnight, who is he
Praying in Gethsemane?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!*

6 Who is he, in Calvary's throes
Asking blessings on his foes?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!*

7 Who is he that from the grave
Comes to heal and help and save?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!*

8 Who is he that from his throne
Rules the world of light alone?
'Tis the LORD*: O wondrous story!* Amen.

726

Canon J. H. Gurney, 1851.

'Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.' James i. 18.

FAIR waved the golden corn
In Canaan's pleasant land,
When full of joy, some shining morn,
Went forth the reaper-band.

2 To GOD so good and great
Their cheerful thanks they pour;
Then carry to his temple gate
The choicest of their store.

3 Like Israel, LORD, we give
Our earliest fruits to thee,
And pray that, long as we shall live,
We may thy children be.

4 Thine is our youthful prime,
And life and all its powers;
Be with us in our morning time,
And bless our evening hours.

5 In wisdom let us grow,
As years and strength are given,
That we may serve thy Church below,
And join thy saints in heaven. Amen.

727

Maria Straub, 1874.

'Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.' St. Matt. x. 29.

GOD sees the little sparrow fall,
It meets his tender view;
If GOD so loves the little birds,
I know he loves me too.

He loves me too, he loves me too,
I know he loves me too;
Because he loves the little things,
I know he loves me too.

2 He paints the lily of the field,
Perfumes each lily bell;
If he so loves the little flowers,
I know he loves me well.
He loves me too, he loves me too.

3 God made the little birds and flowers,
And all things large and small;
He'll not forget his little ones,
I know he loves them all.
He loves me too, he loves me too. Amen.

728 *As arr. by Canon Percy Dearmer*, 1931.

'Ye are of God, little children.' 1 John iv. 4.

PRAISE him, praise him, all his children praise him!
He is love, he is love.

2 Thank him, thank him, all his children thank him!
He is love, he is love.

3 Love him, love him, all his children love him!
He is love, he is love.

4 Crown him, crown him, all his children crown him!
He is love, he is love. Amen.

LITANY FOR CHILDREN

729 *Rev. T. B. Pollock*, 1871.

'Before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.' Isa. lxv. 24.

JESU, from thy throne on high,
Far above the bright blue sky,
Look on us with loving eye:
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

2 Little hearts may love thee well,
Little lips thy love may tell,
Little hymns thy praises swell:
Hear us, Holy Jesu.

3 Little deeds of love may shine,
Little lives may be divine,
Little ones be wholly thine:
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

4 Be thou with us every day,
In our work and in our play,
When we learn and when we pray:
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

5 May our thoughts be undefiled,
May our words be true and mild,
Make us each a holy child:
Hear us, HOLY JESU.

6 JESU, from thy heavenly throne,
Watching o'er each little one,
Till our life on earth is done:
Hear us, HOLY JESU. Amen.

730

Mary Butler, 1881.

'Looking unto Jesus.' Heb. xii. 2.

LOOKING upward every day,
Sunshine on our faces;
Pressing onward every day
Toward the heavenly places.

2 Walking every day more close
To our Elder Brother;
Growing every day more true
Unto one another.

3 Leaving every day behind
Something which might hinder;
Running swifter every day,
Growing purer, kinder.

4 LORD, so pray we every day,
Hear us in thy pity,
That we enter in at last
To the Holy City. Amen.

731 *Emily E. S. Elliott*, 1856.

'A little child shall lead them.' Isa. xi. 6.

THERE came a little Child to earth
Long ago;
And the angels of GOD proclaimed his birth,—
High and low.
Out in the night so calm and still,
Their song was heard;
For they knew that the Child on Bethlehem's hill
Was CHRIST the LORD.

2 Far away in a goodly land,
Fair and bright,
Children with crowns of glory stand,
Robed in white,—
In white more pure than the spotless snow;
And their tongues unite
In the psalm which the angels sang long ago
On that still night.

3 They sing how the LORD of that world so fair
A Child was born;
And, that they might his crown of glory share,
Wore a crown of thorn;
And in mortal weakness, in want and pain,
Came forth to die,
That the children of earth might in glory reign
With him on high.

4 He has put on his kingly apparel now
In that goodly land;
And he leads to where fountains of waters flow
That chosen band.
And for evermore, in their robes so fair
And undefiled,
Those ransomed children his praise declare
Who was once a Child.

732

J. Steuart Wilson, 1928.

'To know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge.'
Eph. iii. 19.

WHEN JESUS was a baby
And born of mortal men,
The first who asked to see him
Came straight from their sheep-pen:
So let each one remember,
When he his offering brings,
That JESUS loved the Shepherds
As well as the three Kings.

2 When JESUS was a carpenter,
He held the saw and adze,
And learned a trade to follow
Like other simple lads:
So let us not be shamèd
Of honest work and sweat,
Remembering that a better brow
Than ours was often wet.

3 When JESUS was a-dying
Upon the cruel tree,
Two thieves upon each hand of him
He had for company:
So look not upon any man
With vain or scornful eyes,
For one poor thief was called by him
To dwell in Paradise.

4 Now JESUS has gone up on high,
And truth and justice reign.
Let tenderness and kindliness
Dwell in the hearts of men:
So, when we have to leave this earth,
If only we can know
We leave it better than we found,
We shall be glad to go.

733

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1848.

'The child Jesus.' St. Luke ii. 43.

ONCE in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
JESUS CHRIST her little child.

2 He came down to earth from heaven
Who is GOD and LORD of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall;
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our SAVIOUR holy.

3 And, through all his wondrous childhood,
He would honour and obey,
Love, and watch the lowly maiden
In whose gentle arms he lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.

*4 For he is our childhood's pattern,
Day by day like us he grew;
He was little, weak, and helpless,
Tears and smiles like us he knew;
And he feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness.

5 And our eyes at last shall see him,
Through his own redeeming love,
For that Child so dear and gentle
Is our LORD in heaven above;
And he leads his children on
To the place where he is gone.

*Verse marked with an asterisk may be omitted when the hymn is sung by adults.

6 Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him; but in heaven,
Set at GOD's right hand on high;
When like stars his children crowned,
All in white shall wait around. Amen.

734

Anon.

'And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph and the babe lying in a manger.' St. Luke ii. 16.

AWAY in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little LORD JESUS laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little LORD JESUS asleep on the hay.

2 The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
But little LORD JESUS no crying he makes.
I love thee, LORD JESUS; look down from the sky,
And stay by my bedside till morning is nigh.

3 Be near me, LORD JESUS, I ask thee to stay
Close by me for ever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

CAROLS

735

Tr. (1858) *from the German of Rev. P. Gerhardt* (1653) *by Catherine Winkworth.*

'And the Lord appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the Lord shall do this thing in the land.' Exod. ix. 5.

Fröhlich soll mein Herze springen.

ALL my heart this night rejoices,
As I hear,
Far and near,
Sweetest angel voices;
'CHRIST is born,' their choirs are singing,
Till the air
Everywhere
Now with joy is ringing.

2 Hark! a voice from yonder manger,
Soft and sweet,
Doth entreat,
'Flee from woe and danger!
Brethren, come! from all that grieves you,
You are freed;
All you need
I will surely give you.'

3 Come, then, let us hasten yonder!
Here let all,
Great and small,
Kneel in awe and wonder!
Love him who with love is yearning!
Hail the Star,
That from far
Bright with hope is burning!

4 Thee, dear LORD, with heed I'll cherish,
Live to thee,
And with thee
Dying, shall not perish;
But shall dwell with thee for ever,
Far on high,
In the joy
That can alter never.

736

Rev. E. Caswall, 1851.

'Unto you is born this day . . . a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.' St. Luke ii. 11.

SEE amid the winter's snow,
Born for us on earth below;
See the tender Lamb appears,
Promised from eternal years.

Hail, thou ever-blessèd morn;
Hail, redemption's happy dawn;
Sing through all Jerusalem,
CHRIST is born in Bethlehem.

2 Lo, within a manger lies—
He who built the starry skies;
He who throned in height sublime
Sits amid the cherubim!
Hail, thou ever-blessèd morn.

3 Say, ye holy shepherds, say
What your joyful news to-day;
Wherefore have ye left your sheep
On the lonely mountain steep?
Hail, thou ever blessèd morn.

4 'As we watched at dead of night,
Lo, we saw a wondrous light;
Angels singing "Peace on earth"
Told us of the SAVIOUR's birth.'
Hail, thou ever-blessèd morn.

5 Sacred Infant, all Divine,
What a tender love was thine,
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this!
Hail, thou ever-blessèd morn.

6 Teach, O teach us, Holy Child,
By thy face so meek and mild,
Teach us to resemble thee,
In thy sweet humility.
Hail, thou ever-blessèd morn.

737

Frances J. Van Alstyne, 1869.

'Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.' Ps. c. 1.

CAROL, sweetly carol,
A SAVIOUR born to-day;
Bear the joyful tidings,
O, bear them far away:

Carol, sweetly carol,
Till earth's remotest bound
Shall hear the mighty chorus,
And echo back the sound.

Carol, sweetly carol,
Carol sweetly to-day;
Bear the joyful tidings,
O, bear them far away.

2 Carol, sweetly carol,
As when the angel throng
O'er the vales of Judah
Awoke the heavenly song:
Carol, sweetly carol,
Goodwill and peace and love,
Glory in the highest,
To GOD who reigns above.

Carol, sweetly carol.

3 Carol, sweetly carol,
The happy Christmas time;
Hark! the bells are pealing
Their merry, merry chime:
Carol, sweetly carol,
Ye shining ones above,
Sing in loudest numbers,
O sing redeeming love.

Carol, sweetly carol.

738 *15th-century Carol. tr.* (1928) *by Canon Percy Dearmer.*

'God with us.' St. Matt. i. 23.

Puer nobis nascitur.

UNTO us a boy is born!
King of all creation,
Came he to a world forlorn,
The LORD of every nation.

2 Cradled in a stall was he
With sleepy cows and asses;
But the very beasts could see
That he all men surpasses.

3 Herod then with fear was filled:
'A prince', he said, 'in Jewry!'
All the little boys he killed
At Bethlem in his fury.

4 Now may Mary's son, who came
So long ago to love us,
Lead us all with hearts aflame
Unto the joys above us.

5 He the Source and he the End!
Let the organ thunder,
While our happy voices rend
The jocund air asunder!

739 *Tr.* (1863) *from the German of Rev. Joseph Mohr* (1818) *by Jane M. Campbell and others.*

'And there were . . . shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.' St. Luke ii. 8.

Stille Nacht! heilige Nacht!

SILENT night! holy night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Yonder the Virgin-Mother and Child,
Holy Infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

2 Silent night! holy night!
Only for shepherds' sight
Came blest visions of angel throngs,
With their loud alleluia songs,
Saying, CHRIST is come,
Saying, CHRIST is come.

3 Silent night! holy night!
Child of heaven, O how bright
Thou didst smile on us when thou wast born,
Blest indeed was that happy morn,
Full of heavenly joy,
Full of heavenly joy.

740

William Chatterton Dix, 1867.

'Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? . . . When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?' Job xxxviii. 4, 7.

LIKE silver lamps in a distant shrine,
The stars are sparkling bright;
The bells of the city of GOD ring out
For the Son of Mary is born to-night.
The gloom is past, and the morn at last
Is coming with orient light.

2 No earthly songs are half so sweet
As those which are filling the skies,
And never a palace shone half so fair
As the manger-bed where our SAVIOUR lies;
No night in the year is half so dear
As this which has ended our sighs.

3 The stars of heaven still shine as at first
They gleamed on this wonderful night,
The bells of the city of GOD peal out,
And the angels' song still rings in the height,
And love still turns where the Godhead burns,
Hid in Flesh from fleshly sight.

4 Faith sees no longer the stable floor,
The pavement of sapphire is there,
The clear light of heaven streams out to the world,
And the angels of GOD are crowding the air,
And heaven and earth, through the spotless birth,
Are at peace on this night so fair.

741

Rev. John M. Neale, 1853.

'And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.' St. Luke ii. 10.

GOOD Christian men, rejoice,
With heart and soul and voice,
Give ye heed to what we say:
News! News!
JESUS CHRIST is born to-day;
Ox and ass before him bow,
And he is in the manger now.
CHRIST is born to-day!
CHRIST is born to-day!

2 Good Christian men, rejoice,
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss:
Joy! Joy!
JESUS CHRIST was born for this!
He hath oped the heavenly door,
And man is blessèd evermore.
CHRIST was born for this!
CHRIST was born for this!

3 Good Christian men, rejoice,
With heart and soul and voice!
Now ye need not fear the grave:
Peace! Peace!
JESUS CHRIST was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all,
To gain his everlasting hall:
CHRIST was born to save,
CHRIST was born to save.

742

Rev. R. R. Chope, 1875.

'Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.' St. Matt. i. 23.

STARS all bright are beaming
From the skies above,
Nature's face all gleaming,
Shines with heaven's own love.

Wake and sing, good Christians,
On this birth-day morn,
Heaven and earth are telling
God for man is born.

2 Here for us abiding,
Cradled in a stall,
All his glory hiding,
See the LORD of all.

Wake and sing, good Christians.

3 Born that he might lead us
From this earthly home,
Guide our way, and feed us
Till the end shall come.

Wake and sing, good Christians.

4 Thousand thousand blessings
Sing we for his love,
Choral hymns addressing
To our LORD above.

Wake and sing, good Christians.

5 Glory in the highest,
For this wondrous birth;
Choir of heaven! thou criest
Peace to all the earth.

Wake and sing, good Christians.

743

Henry Brougham Farnie, 1865.

'And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.' St. Luke ii. 16.

CRADLED all lowly,
Behold the SAVIOUR Child!
A Being holy,
In dwelling rude and wild;
Ne'er yet was regal state
Of monarch proud and great,
Who grasped a nation's fate,
So glorious as the manger-bed of Bethlehem.

2 No longer sorrow
As without hope, O earth!
A brighter morrow
Dawned with that Infant's birth.
Our sins were great and sore,
But these the SAVIOUR bore,
And GOD was wroth no more:
His own SON was the Child that lay in Bethlehem.

3 Babe weak and wailing,
In lowly village stall,
Thy glory veiling,
Thou cam'st to die for all.
The sacrifice is done,
The world's atonement won,
Till time its course hath run,
O JESU, SAVIOUR, Morning Star of Bethlehem.

744

Traditional, 15*th cent.*

'Glory to God in the highest.' St. Luke ii. 14.

WHEN CHRIST was born of Mary free,
In Bethlehem, that fair citie,
Angels sang there with mirth and glee,
'In excelsis gloria.'

2 Herdsmen beheld these angels bright,
To them appearing with great light,
Who said, GOD'S SON is born this night,
'In excelsis gloria.'

3 This King is come to save mankind,
In Scripture promised as we find,
Therefore this song have we in mind,
'In excelsis gloria.'

4 Grant us, O LORD, for thy great grace,
In heaven in bliss to see thy face,
Where we may sing to thy solace,
'In excelsis gloria.'

745 *Indian words (Huron) by St. Jean de Brébeuf (c. 1643). Tr. (1926) by J. Edgar Middleton.*

'Good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.'
St. Luke ii. 10.

Estennialon de tson8e Ies8s ahatonhia (Huron dialect).

'TWAS in the moon of winter-time,
When all the birds had fled,
That mighty Gitchi-Manitou*
Sent angel-choirs instead;
Before their light the stars grew dim,
And wond'ring hunters heard the hymn:
JESUS your King is born,
JESUS is born,
In excelsis gloria.

2 Within a lodge of broken bark
The tender Babe was found,
A ragged robe of rabbit skin
Enwrapped his beauty round;
But as the hunter braves drew nigh,
The angel-song rang loud and high.
JESUS your King is born.

* *Alternative words,* The mighty LORD of all the world.

3 The earliest moon of winter-time
  Is not so round and fair
As was the ring of glory on
  The helpless Infant there.
The chiefs from far before him knelt
With gifts of fox and beaver-pelt.

Jesus your King is born.

4 O children of the forest free,
  O sons of Manitou,
The Holy Child of earth and heaven
  Is born to-day for you.
Come kneel before the radiant Boy,
Who brings you beauty, peace, and joy.

Jesus your King is born.

746

Rev. John M. Neale, 1853.

'Remember the poor.' Gal. ii. 10.

GOOD King Wenceslas looked out
On the Feast of Stephen,
When the snow lay round about,
  Deep, and crisp, and even:
Brightly shone the moon that night,
  Though the frost was cruel,
When a poor man came in sight,
  Gathering winter fuel.

2 'Hither, page, and stand by me,
  If thou know'st it, telling,
Yonder peasant, who is he?
  Where and what his dwelling?'
'Sire, he lives a good league hence,
  Underneath the mountain,
Right against the forest fence,
  By St. Agnes' fountain.'

3 'Bring me flesh, and bring me wine,
Bring me pine-logs hither;
Thou and I will see him dine,
When we bear them thither.'
Page and monarch forth they went,
Forth they went together,
Through the rude wind's wild lament,
And the bitter weather.

4 'Sire, the night is darker now,
And the wind blows stronger:
Fails my heart, I know not how,
I can go no longer.'
'Mark my footsteps, my good page,
Tread thou in them boldly;
Thou shalt find the winter's rage
Freeze thy blood less coldly.'

5 In his master's steps he trod,
Where the snow lay dinted,
Heat was in the very sod
Which the Saint had printed;
Therefore, Christian men, be sure,
Wealth and rank possessing,
Ye who now will bless the poor,
Shall yourselves find blessing.

747

Rev. Dr. G. R. Woodward, 1910.

'And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field.' St. Luke ii. 8.

SHEPHERDS in the field abiding,
Tell us, when the seraph bright
Greeted you with wondrous tiding
What you saw and heard that night.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

2 We beheld (it is no fable),
GOD incarnate, King of bliss,
Swathed and cradled in a stable,
And the angel strain was this:
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

3 Choristers on high were singing,
JESUS and his Virgin-birth,
Heavenly bells the while a-ringing,
'Peace, good-will to men on earth.'
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

4 Thanks, good herdmen, true your story,
Have with you to Bethlehem;
Angels hymn the King of glory,
Carol we with you and them.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

748

Rev. J. H. Hopkins, Junr., 1857.

'And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.' St. Matt. ii. 11.

WE three kings of Orient are,
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
Following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

First king (Melchior).

2 Born a king on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown him again,
King for ever, ceasing never,
Over us all to reign.
O star of wonder, star of night.

Second king (*Gaspar*).

3 Frankincense to offer have I,
Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Prayer and praising, all men raising,
Worship him, God most high.
O star of wonder, star of night.

Third king (*Balthazar*).

4 Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.
O star of wonder, star of night.

All.

5 Glorious now behold him arise,
King, and God, and Sacrifice,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Earth to the heavens replies.
O star of wonder, star of night.

749

v. 1, *Swiss origin; vv.* 2, 3, *Alfred Whitehead*, 1938.

'And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.' St. Luke ii. 16.

COME in, dear angels, straight come in,
And fold your wings;
Lo! kneel where lies in manger-bed
The King of kings.
Come in, dear angels, ye so pure and mild,
And guard the new-born Christmas child.

2 Come in, ye shepherds, straight come in,
And leave your sheep;
Behold in stable rude and bare,
His gentle sleep.
Come in, ye shepherds, come and worship him,
And praise him with the Seraphim.

3 Come in, ye Magi, straight come in,
And bring your gifts;
'Tis he o'er whom the blazing star
Its radiance lifts.
Come in, ye Magi, see your infant King,
And hear the praises angels sing.

750

Traditional, c. 17th cent.

'Born this day . . . is Christ the Lord.' St. Luke ii. 11.

THE first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay, a-keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel.

2 They lookèd up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell.

3 And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell.

4 This star drew nigh to the north-west,
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where JESUS lay.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell.

5 Then entered in those wise men three,
Full reverently upon their knee,
And offered there in his presence,
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell.

6 Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly LORD;
That hath made heaven and earth of nought,
And with his Blood mankind hath bought.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell.

See also Easter Carol, No. 170.

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751 *Rev. W. Y. Fullerton*, 1929.

'Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things.' Joel ii. 21.

I CANNOT tell why he, whom angels worship,
Should set his love upon the sons of men,
Or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers,
To bring them back, they know not how or when.
But this I know, that he was born of Mary
When Bethlehem's manger was his only home,
And that he lived at Nazareth and laboured,
And so the SAVIOUR, SAVIOUR of the world, is come.

2 I cannot tell how silently he suffered,
As with his peace he graced this place of tears,
Or how his heart upon the Cross was broken,
The crown of pain to three and thirty years.
But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted,
And stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
And lifts the burden from the heavy laden,
For yet the SAVIOUR, SAVIOUR of the world, is here.

3 I cannot tell how he will win the nations,
How he will claim his earthly heritage,
How satisfy the needs and aspirations
Of East and West, of sinner and of sage.

But this I know, all flesh shall see his glory,
And he shall reap the harvest he has sown,
And some glad day his sun shall shine in splendour
When he the SAVIOUR, SAVIOUR of the world, is known.

4 I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
When, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,
Or who can say how great the jubilation
When all the hearts of men with love are filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
And myriad, myriad human voices sing,
And earth to heaven, and heaven to earth, will answer,
At last the SAVIOUR, SAVIOUR of the world, is King! Amen.

752

Rev. F. Whitfield, 1855.

'Unto you therefore which believe he is precious.'
1 Peter ii. 7.

I NEED thee, precious JESU,
For I am full of sin;
My soul is dark and guilty,
My heart is dead within,
I need the cleansing fountain,
Where I can always flee,
The Blood of CHRIST most precious,
The sinner's perfect plea.

2 I need thee, precious JESU,
For I am very poor;
A stranger and a pilgrim,
I have no earthly store.
I need the love of JESUS
To cheer me on my way,
To guide my doubting footsteps,
To be my strength and stay.

3 I need thee, precious JESU,
I need a friend like thee,
A friend to soothe and pity,
A friend to care for me.
I need the heart of JESUS
To feel each anxious care,
To tell my every trouble,
And all my sorrow share.

4 I need thee, precious JESU,
And hope to see thee soon,
Encircled with the rainbow,
And seated on thy throne;
There, with thy blood-bought children,
My joy shall ever be
To sing thy praises, JESU,
To gaze, my LORD, on thee. Amen.

753

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1873.

'Without me ye can do nothing.' St. John xv. 5.

I COULD not do without thee,
O SAVIOUR of the lost,
Whose precious Blood redeemed me
At such tremendous cost;
Thy righteousness, thy pardon,
Thy precious Blood must be
My only hope and comfort,
My glory and my plea.

2 I could not do without thee,
I cannot stand alone,
I have no strength or goodness,
No wisdom of my own;
But thou, belovèd SAVIOUR,
Art all in all to me,
And perfect strength in weakness
Is theirs who lean on thee.

3 I could not do without thee,
No other friend can read
The spirit's strange deep longings,
Interpreting its need;
No human heart could enter
Each dim recess of mine,
And soothe and hush and calm it,
O blessèd LORD, but thine.

4 I could not do without thee,
For years are fleeting fast,
And soon in solemn loneness
The river must be passed;
But thou wilt never leave me,
And though the waves roll high,
I know thou wilt be near me,
And whisper, 'It is I.' Amen.

754

Rev. J. G. Small, 1863.

'There is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.'
Prov. xviii. 24.

I'VE found a Friend; O such a Friend!
He loved me ere I knew him;
He drew me with the cords of love,
And thus he bound me to him:
And round my heart still closely twine
Those ties which nought can sever,
For I am his, and he is mine,
For ever and for ever.

2 I've found a Friend; O such a Friend!
He bled, he died to save me;
And not alone the gift of life,
But his own self he gave me.
Nought that I have mine own I call,
I hold it for the Giver:
My heart, my strength, my life, my all,
Are his, and his for ever.

3 I've found a Friend; O such a Friend!
All power to him is given,
To guard me on my onward course,
And bring me safe to heaven.
The eternal glories gleam afar,
To nerve my faint endeavour;
So now to watch, to work, to war;
And then to rest for ever.

4 I've found a Friend; O such a Friend!
So kind, and true, and tender,
So wise a Counsellor and Guide,
So mighty a Defender.
From him who loves me now so well
What power my soul can sever?
Shall life, or death, or earth, or hell?
No: I am his for ever. Amen.

755

Emily E. S. Elliott, 1864.

'Christ shall be magnified in my body.' Phil. i. 20.

THOU didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown,
When thou camest to earth for me;
But in Bethlehem's home there was found no room
For thy holy nativity.
O come to my heart, LORD JESUS!
There is room in my heart for thee.

2 Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,
Proclaiming thy royal degree;
But of lowly birth cam'st thou, LORD, on earth,
And in great humility.
O come to my heart, LORD JESUS!

3 The foxes found rest, and the birds had their nest
In the shade of the forest tree;
But thy couch was the sod, O thou SON of GOD,
In the deserts of Galilee.
O come to my heart, LORD JESUS!

4 Thou camest, O LORD, with the living word
That should set thy children free;
But with mocking scorn, and with crown of thorn
They bore thee to Calvary.
O come to my heart, LORD JESUS!

5 When heaven's arches shall ring, and her choirs shall sing
At thy coming to victory,
Let thy voice call me home, saying, 'Yet there is room—
There is room at my side for thee!'
O come to my heart, LORD JESUS! Amen.

756

Thomas Moore, 1824 (*altd.*), *and T. Hastings*, 1832.

'I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.' St. John xiv. 18.

COME, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish,
Come to the mercy-seat, fervently kneel;
Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish;
Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.

2 Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
Hope of the penitent, fadeless and pure;
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
'Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot cure.'

3 Here see the Bread of Life; see waters flowing
Forth from the throne of GOD, pure from above:
Come to the feast of love; come, ever knowing
Earth has no sorrow but heaven can remove.
Amen.

757

Rev. Theodore Monod, 1874.

'Counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.'
Acts v. 41.

OH, the bitter shame and sorrow,
That a time could ever be,
When I let the SAVIOUR's pity
Plead in vain, and proudly answered:
'All of self, and none of thee.'

2 Yet he found me: I beheld him
Bleeding on the accursèd tree,
Heard him pray: 'Forgive them, FATHER;'
And my wistful heart said faintly:
'Some of self, and some of thee.'

3 Day by day his tender mercy,
Healing, helping, full and free,
Sweet and strong, and ah! so patient,
Brought me lower, while I whispered:
'Less of self, and more of thee.'

4 Higher than the highest heaven,
Deeper than the deepest sea,
LORD, thy love at last hath conquered;
Grant me now my supplication:
'None of self, and all of thee.' Amen.

758

Mary Peters, 1847.

'He hath done all things well.' St. Mark vii. 37.

THROUGH the love of GOD our SAVIOUR,
All will be well;
Free and changeless is his favour,
All, all is well.
Precious is the Blood that healed us;
Perfect is the grace that sealed us;
Strong the hand stretched out to shield us;
All must be well.

2 Though we pass through tribulation,
All will be well;
Ours is such a full salvation,
All, all is well.
Happy, still in GOD confiding;
Fruitful, if in CHRIST abiding;
Holy, through the SPIRIT's guiding;
All must be well.

3 We expect a bright to-morrow;
All will be well;
Faith can sing through days of sorrow,
All, all is well.
On our FATHER's love relying,
JESUS every need supplying,
Or in living or in dying,
All must be well. Amen.

759

Bishop E. H. Bickersteth, 1874.

'Faithful is he that calleth you.' 1 Thess. v. 24.

MY GOD, my FATHER, dost thou call
Thy long-lost wandering child to thee?
And canst thou, wilt thou pardon all?
I come, I come; LORD, save thou me.

2 O JESUS, art thou passing by
With all thy goodness, grace, and power?
And dost thou hear my broken cry?
I come, I come, in mercy's hour.

3 O HOLY SPIRIT, is it thou,
My tenderest Friend refused too long?
And art thou pleading, striving now?
I come, I come: make weakness strong.

4 Yes, LORD, I come: thy heart of love
Is moving, kindling, drawing mine.
I cast me at thy feet to prove
The bliss, the heaven of being thine. Amen.

760

Rev. Charles Wesley, 1749.

'Come, and let us return unto the Lord: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up.' Hosea vi. 1.

WEARY of wandering from my GOD,
And now made willing to return,
I hear, and bow me to the rod;
For thee, not without hope, I mourn;
I have an Advocate above,
A Friend before the throne of love.

2 O JESU, full of truth and grace,
More full of grace than I of sin,
Yet once again I seek thy face;
Open thine arms, and take me in,
And freely my backslidings heal,
And love the faithless sinner still.

3 Thou knowest the way to bring me back,
My fallen spirit to restore;
O for thy truth and mercy's sake
Forgive, and bid me sin no more;
The ruins of my soul repair,
And make my heart a house of prayer.

4 Ah, give me, LORD, the tender heart,
That trembles at the approach of sin;
A godly fear of sin impart,
Implant, and root it deep within,
That I may dread thy gracious power,
And never dare offend thee more. Amen.

761

Oswald Allen, 1862.

'Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.' 2 Cor. vi. 2.

TO-DAY thy mercy calls us
To wash away our sin,
However great our trespass,
Whatever we have been;

However long from mercy
We may have turned away,
Thy blood, O CHRIST, can cleanse us,
And make us white to-day.

2 To-day thy gate is open,
And all who enter in
Shall find a FATHER's welcome,
And pardon for their sin;
The past shall be forgotten,
A present joy be given,
A future grace be promised,
A glorious crown in heaven.

3 O all-embracing Mercy,
Thou ever-open Door,
What should we do without thee
When heart and eyes run o'er?
When all things seem against us,
To drive us to despair,
We know one gate is open,
One ear will hear our prayer. Amen.

762

Rev. H. Bonar, 1866.

'All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.' St. John vi. 37.

LORD, not despairingly
Come I to thee;
LORD, not distrustingly
Bend I the knee.
Sin hath gone over me,
Yet is this still my plea,
JESUS hath died.

2 LORD, I confess to thee
Sadly my sin;
All I am tell I thee,
All I have been.

Purge thou my sin away,
Wash thou my soul this day,
LORD, make me clean.

3 Faithful and just art thou,
Forgiving all;
Low at thy piercèd feet,
SAVIOUR, I fall.
LORD, let the cleansing Blood,
Blood of the Lamb of GOD,
Pass o'er my soul.

4 Then all is peace and light
This soul within:
Thus shall I walk with thee
The Loved unseen.
Leaning on thee, my GOD,
Guided along the road,
Nothing between. Amen.

763

Rev. Joseph Grigg, 1765.

'Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words . . . of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed.' St. Mark viii. 38.

JESUS, and shall it ever be,
A mortal man ashamed of thee?
Ashamed of thee, whom angels praise,
Whose glories shine through endless days?

2 Ashamed of JESUS—that dear Friend
On whom my hopes of heaven depend?
No, when I blush, be this my shame,
That I no more revere his Name.

3 Ashamed of JESUS? Yes, that day
When I've no guilt to wash away,
No tear to wipe, no joy to crave,
No fears to quell, no soul to save.

4 Till then—nor is the boasting vain—
Till then I boast a SAVIOUR slain;
And O may this my glory be,
That CHRIST is not ashamed of me. Amen.

764 *Elizabeth C. Clephane*, 1868.

'How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray?' St. Matt. xviii. 12.

THERE were ninety and nine that safely lay
In the shelter of the fold;
But one was out on the hills away,
Far off from the gates of gold,
Away on the mountains wild and bare,
Away from the tender Shepherd's care.

2 'LORD, thou hast here thy ninety and nine,
Are they not enough for thee?'
But the Shepherd made answer: 'This of mine
Has wandered away from me;
And although the road be rough and steep,
I go to the desert to find my sheep.'

3 But none of the ransomed ever knew
How deep were the waters crossed;
Nor how dark was the night that the LORD passed through
Ere he found his sheep that was lost.
Out in the desert he heard its cry,
Sick, and helpless, and ready to die.

4 'LORD, whence are those blood-drops all the way,
That mark out the mountain's track?'
'That were shed for one who had gone astray
Ere the Shepherd could bring him back.'
'LORD, whence are thy hands so rent and torn?'
'They are pierced to-night by many a thorn.'

5 And all through the mountains, thunder-riven,
And up from the rocky steep,
There rose a cry to the gate of heaven,
'Rejoice, I have found my sheep.'
And the angels echoed around the throne,
'Rejoice, for the LORD brings back his own.'

Amen.

765

Rev. Isaac Watts, 1707.

'For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.' Rom. v. 6.

ALAS! and did my SAVIOUR bleed?
And did my Sovereign die?
Would he devote that sacred head
For such an one as I?

2 Was it for sins that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! grace unknown!
And love beyond degree!

3 Well might the sun in darkness hide,
And shut his glories in,
When CHRIST, the mighty Maker, died
For man, the creature's sin.

4 Thus might I hide my shamèd face
While his dear Cross appears,
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness,
And melt mine eyes to tears.

5 But drops of grief can ne'er repay
The debt of love I owe:
Here, LORD, I give myself to thee;
'Tis all that I can do. Amen.

766

William Cowper, 1771.

'There shall be a fountain opened . . . for sin and for uncleanness.' Zech. xiii. 1.

THERE is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Emmanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

2 The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, as vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.

3 Dear dying Lamb, thy precious Blood
Shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

4 E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

5 Then in a nobler, sweeter song
I'll sing thy power to save,
When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave. Amen.

767

Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1868.

'In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.' Prov. xiv. 26.

BENEATH the Cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty rock
Within a weary land.
O blessèd shelter from the storm,
The sinner's sure retreat:
O trysting-place, where heavenly love
And heavenly justice meet.

2 There lies beyond its shadow
Upon the farther side
The darkness of an awful pit
That opens deep and wide;
But, lo, between, there stands the Cross
Of him who died to save
With his own life-blood my lost soul
From that eternal grave.

3 Upon the Cross of JESUS
Mine eye by faith can see
The very dying form of One
Who suffered there for me;
And from my smitten heart with tears
Two wonders I confess,
The wonders of his glorious love,
And my own worthlessness.

4 O CHRIST, beneath that shadow
Be my abiding-place;
I ask no other sunshine than
The sunshine of thy face;
Content to let the world go by,
And count its gain but loss;
This sinful self my only shame,
My only hope thy Cross. Amen.

768

W. O. Cushing, 1881.

'For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.' Ps. xxxi. 3.

O SAFE to the Rock that is higher than I
My soul in its conflicts and sorrows would fly;
So sinful, so weary, thine, thine would I be;
Thou blest Rock of ages, I'm hiding in thee.

Hiding in thee, hiding in thee,
Thou blest Rock of ages, I'm hiding in thee.

2 In the calm of the noontide, in sorrow's lone hour,
In times when temptation casts o'er me its power,
In the tempests of life, on its wide, heaving sea,
Thou blest Rock of ages, I'm hiding in thee.

Hiding in thee, hiding in thee.

3 How oft in the conflict, when pressed by the foe,
I have fled to my Refuge and breathed out my woe!
How often when trials like sea-billows roll,
I have hidden in thee, O thou Rock of my soul!
Hiding in thee, hiding in thee. Amen.

769

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1854.

'And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee.' St. Mark x. 49.

O COME to the merciful SAVIOUR who calls you,
O come to the LORD who forgives and forgets;
Though dark be the fortune on earth that befalls you,
There's a bright home above, where the sun never sets.

2 O come then to JESUS, whose arms are extended
To fold his dear children in closest embrace;
O come, for your exile will shortly be ended,
And JESUS will show you his beautiful face.

3 Yes, come to the SAVIOUR, whose mercy grows brighter
The longer you look at the depth of his love;
And fear not! 'tis JESUS! and life's cares grow lighter
As you think of the home and the glory above.

4 Have you sinned as none else in the world has before you?
Are you blacker than all other creatures in guilt?
O fear not, and doubt not! the mother who bore you
Loves you less than the SAVIOUR whose Blood you have spilt!

5 Then come to his feet, and lay open your story
Of suffering and sorrow, of guilt and of shame;
For the pardon of sin is the crown of his glory,
And the joy of our LORD to be true to his
Name. Amen.

**Trusting in thee, trusting in thee,*
Thou merciful SAVIOUR, I'm trusting in thee.
Amen.

* This refrain is optional.

770

Charlotte Elliott, 1848.

'Christ is all, and in all.' Col. iii. 11.

JESUS, my SAVIOUR, look on me,
For I am weary and opprest;
I come to cast my soul on thee:
Thou art my Rest.

2 Look down on me, for I am weak;
I feel the toilsome journey's length;
Thine aid omnipotent I seek:
Thou art my Strength.

3 I am bewildered on my way,
Dark and tempestuous is the night;
O send thou forth some cheering ray!
Thou art my Light.

4 When Satan flings his fiery darts,
I look to thee; my terrors cease;
Thy Cross a hiding-place imparts:
Thou art my Peace.

5 Standing alone on Jordan's brink,
In that tremendous, latest strife,
Thou wilt not suffer me to sink:
Thou art my Life.

6 Thou wilt my every want supply,
E'en to the end, whate'er befall;
Through life, in death, eternally,
Thou art my All. Amen.

771

G. F. Root, 1870.

'And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.' Rev. xxii. 17.

COME to the SAVIOUR, make no delay;
Here in his Word he hath shown us the way;
Here in our midst he's standing to-day,
Tenderly saying, Come!

Joyful, joyful will the meeting be,
When from sin our hearts are pure and free;
And we shall gather, SAVIOUR, with thee,
In our eternal home.

2 'Come all that labour'—O hear his voice,
Let every heart leap forth and rejoice,
And let us freely make him our choice;
Do not delay, but come.

Joyful, joyful will the meeting be.

3 Think once again, he is with us to-day;
Heed now his blest commands and obey;
Hear now his accents tenderly say,
'Will you, my children, come?'

Joyful, joyful will the meeting be. Amen.

772

Frances J. Van Alstyne, 1870.

'The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.' Deut. xxxiii. 27.

SAFE in the arms of JESUS,
Safe on his gentle breast,
There by his love o'ershadowed
Sweetly my soul shall rest.

Hark! 'tis the voice of angels,
Borne in a song to me,
Over the fields of glory,
Over the crystal sea.

Safe in the arms of JESUS,
Safe on his gentle breast,
There by his love o'ershadowed
Sweetly my soul shall rest.

2 Safe in the arms of JESUS,
Safe from corroding care,
Safe from the world's temptations,
Sin cannot harm me there;
Free from the blight of sorrow,
Free from my doubts and fears,
Only a few more trials,
Only a few more tears.

Safe in the arms of JESUS.

3 JESUS, my heart's dear refuge,
JESUS has died for me,
Firm on the Rock of ages
Ever my trust shall be.
Here let me wait with patience—
Wait till the night is o'er,
Wait till I see the morning
Break on the golden shore.

Safe in the arms of JESUS. Amen.

773

Katherine Hankey, 1866.

'And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.' Eph. iii. 19.

TELL me the old, old story
Of unseen things above,
Of JESUS and his glory,
Of JESUS and his love.

Tell me the story simply,
As to a little child,
For I am weak and weary,
And helpless and defiled.

Tell me the old, old story,
Tell me the old, old story,
Tell me the old, old story
Of JESUS *and his love.*

2 Tell me the story slowly,
That I may take it in—
That wonderful redemption,
GOD'S remedy for sin.
Tell me the story often,
For I forget so soon;
The early dew of morning
Has passed away at noon.

Tell me the old, old story.

3 Tell me the story softly,
With earnest tones and grave;
Remember I'm the sinner
Whom JESUS came to save.
Tell me the story always,
If you would really be,
In any time of trouble,
A comforter to me.

Tell me the old, old story.

4 Tell me the same old story,
When you have cause to fear
That this world's empty glory
Is costing me too dear.
Yes, and when that world's glory
Is dawning on my soul,
Tell me the old, old story,
'CHRIST JESUS makes thee whole.'

Tell me the old, old story. Amen.

774

Elizabeth Codner, 1860.

'I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.' Ezek. xxxiv. 26.

LORD, I hear of showers of blessing
Thou art scattering full and free,
Showers the thirsty land refreshing;
Let some drops descend on me—Even me.

2 Pass me not, O gracious FATHER,
Sinful though my heart may be;
Thou might'st leave me, but the rather
Let thy mercy light on me—Even me.

3 Pass me not, O tender SAVIOUR!
Let me love and cling to thee;
I am longing for thy favour;
Whilst thou'rt calling, O call me—Even me.

4 Pass me not, O mighty SPIRIT!
Thou canst make the blind to see;
Witnesser of JESUS' merit,
Speak the word of power to me—Even me.

5 Have I long in sin been sleeping,
Long been slighting, grieving thee?
Has the world my heart been keeping?
O forgive and rescue me—Even me.

6 Love of GOD, so pure and changeless;
Blood of CHRIST, so rich and free;
Grace of GOD, so strong and boundless,
Magnify it all in me—Even me.

7 Pass me not; but, pardon bringing,
Bind my heart, O LORD, to thee;
Whilst the streams of life are springing,
Blessing others, O bless me—Even me.
Amen.

775

Priscilla J. Owens, 1882.

'Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of thy countenance.' Ps. lxxxix. 15.

WE have heard a joyful sound:
JESUS saves!
Spread the tidings all around:
JESUS saves!
Bear the news to every land,
Climb the steeps and cross the waves;
Onward!—'tis our LORD's command:
JESUS saves!

2 Waft it on the rolling tide:
JESUS saves!
Tell to sinners far and wide:
JESUS saves!
Sing, ye islands of the sea,
Echo back, ye ocean caves;
Earth shall keep her jubilee:
JESUS saves!

3 Sing above the battle strife,
JESUS saves!
By his death and endless life:
JESUS saves!
Sing it softly through the gloom,
When the heart for mercy craves;
Sing in triumph o'er the tomb—
JESUS saves!

4 Give the winds a mighty voice:
JESUS saves!
Let the nations now rejoice:
JESUS saves!
Shout salvation full and free,
Highest hills and deepest caves;
This our song of victory—
JESUS saves! Amen.

776

Sarah G. Stock, 1888.

'Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.' 1 Tim. vi. 12.

THERE'S a fight to be fought, there's a work to be done,
And a foe to be met ere the set of the sun,
And the call is gone out o'er the land far and wide—
Who'll follow the banner? Who's on the LORD's side?

O hark! the call to battle resounds far and wide—
Who'll follow the banner? Who's on the LORD's side?

2 O'er the waters it soundeth from lands far away,
Where the rebel usurper holds fair realms in sway;
There are chains to be severed, and souls to be freed;
Our Captain is calling; himself takes the lead.

O hark! the call to battle resounds far and wide—

3 O! true hearts have gone forth, glad and strong, to the war,
And the fame of their exploits has echoed afar;
And though brave ones have fallen, yet rich their reward—
Who dies is crowned victor by JESUS our LORD.

O hark! the call to battle resounds far and wide—

4 'Tis not each one is called in the front rank to fight,
And there's room for us all, though our strength may be slight;
And the weakest and poorest some succour may bring,
If only he follows the flag of his King.
O hark! the call to battle resounds far and wide—

5 When the warfare is finished, the long struggle o'er,
And the Name of our Master all nations adore,
Then the glad shout of triumph shall ring far and wide—
O joy to the victor who's on the LORD's side!
O hark! the shout of triumph resounds far and wide—
O joy to the victor who's on the LORD's side!
Amen.

777

Frances J. Van Alstyne, 1870.

'The Lord is . . . not willing that any should perish.'
2 Peter iii. 9.

RESCUE the perishing, care for the dying,
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave;
Weep o'er the erring one, lift up the fallen,
Tell them of JESUS, the Mighty to save.
Rescue the perishing, care for the dying,
JESUS is merciful, JESUS will save.

2 Though they are slighting him, still he is waiting,
Waiting the penitent child to receive;
Plead with them earnestly, plead with them gently;
He will forgive if they only believe.
Rescue the perishing, care for the dying.

3 Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter,
Feelings lie buried that grace can restore;
Touched by a loving hand, wakened by kindness,
Chords that were broken will vibrate once more.
Rescue the perishing, care for the dying.

4 Rescue the perishing, duty demands it;
Strength for thy labour the LORD will provide:
Back to the narrow way patiently win them;
Tell the poor wanderer a SAVIOUR has died.
Rescue the perishing, care for the dying.
Amen.

778

Rev. Sylvanus D. Phelps, 1862.

'I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.' Gal. ii. 20.

SAVIOUR, thy dying love
Thou gavest me,
Nor should I aught withhold,
Dear LORD, from thee.
In love my soul would bow,
My heart fulfil its vow,
Some offering bring thee now,
Something for thee.

2 At the blest mercy-seat,
Pleading for me;
My feeble faith looks up,
JESUS, to thee.
Help me the cross to bear,
Thy wondrous love declare,
Some song to raise or prayer,
Something for thee.

3 Give me a faithful heart,
  Likeness to thee,
That each departing day
  Henceforth may see
Some work of love begun,
Some deed of kindness done,
Some wanderer sought and won,
  Something for thee.

4 All that I am and have,
  Thy gifts so free,
In joy, in grief, through life,
  Dear LORD, for thee!
And when thy face I see,
My ransomed soul shall be
Through all eternity,
  Something for thee. Amen.

779

Joseph Scriven, 1857.

'Pray without ceasing.' 1 Thess. v. 17.

WHAT a Friend we have in JESUS,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
  Everything to GOD in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
  O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
  Everything to GOD in prayer.

2 Have we trials and temptations?
  Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
  Take it to the LORD in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful,
  Who will all our sorrows share?
JESUS knows our every weakness;
  Take it to the LORD in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious SAVIOUR, still our refuge—
Take it to the LORD in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the LORD in prayer;
In his arms he'll take and shield thee;
Thou wilt find a solace there. Amen.

780

William J. Thompson, 1847–1909.

'The father said . . . Bring forth the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet.' St. Luke xv. 22.

SOFTLY and tenderly JESUS is calling—
Calling for you and for me;
Patiently JESUS is waiting and watching—
Watching for you and for me!

'Come home! Come home!
Ye who are weary, Come home!'
Earnestly, tenderly, JESUS is calling—
Calling, O sinner, 'Come home!'

2 Why should we tarry when JESUS is pleading—
Pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies—
Mercies for you and for me!

Come home! Come home!

3 O for the wonderful love he has promised—
Promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned he has mercy and pardon—
Pardon for you and for me!

Come home! Come home! Amen.

781

Frances J. Van Alstyne, 1869.

'And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.' Col. i. 20.

JESUS keep me near the Cross;
There a precious fountain,
Free to all—a healing stream—
Flows from Calvary's mountain.

In the Cross, in the Cross,
Be my glory ever;
Till my ransomed soul shall find
Rest beyond the river.

2 Near the Cross, a trembling soul,
Love and mercy found me;
There the bright and morning Star
Shed its beams around me.

In the Cross, in the Cross.

3 Near the Cross! O Lamb of GOD,
Bring its scenes before me;
Help me walk from day to day
With its shadow o'er me.

In the Cross, in the Cross. Amen.

782

Katherine Hankey, 1868.

'Go ye . . . and teach all nations.' St. Matt. xxviii. 19.

I LOVE to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of JESUS and his glory,
Of JESUS and his love.

I love to tell the story,
Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else would do.

I love to tell the story;
'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.

2 I love to tell the story:
More wonderful it seems
Than all the golden fancies
Of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story:
It did so much for me:
And that is just the reason
I tell it now to thee.

I love to tell the story.

3 I love to tell the story,
'Tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it,
More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story,
For some have never heard
The message of salvation
From God's own holy Word.

I love to tell the story.

4 I love to tell the story,
For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story,
That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the story. Amen.

783

Rev. Daniel Iverson, 1926.

'Be filled with the Spirit.' Eph. v. 18.

SPIRIT of the living GOD,
Fall afresh on me!
SPIRIT of the living GOD,
Fall afresh on me!
Break me, melt me,
Mould me, fill me!
SPIRIT of the living GOD,
Fall afresh on me. Amen!

784

Anna L. Waring, 1852.

'I will give you rest.' St. Matt. xi. 28.

MY heart is resting, O my GOD,
I will give thanks and sing;
My heart is at the secret source
Of every precious thing.
Now the frail vessel thou hast made
No hand but thine shall fill;
For the waters of the earth have failed,
And I am thirsty still.

2 I thirst for springs of heavenly life,
And here all day they rise;
I seek the treasure of thy love,
And close at hand it lies.
And a new song is in my mouth
To long-loved music set:—
Glory to thee for all the grace
I have not tasted yet.

3 Glory to thee for strength withheld,
For want and weakness known;
And the fear that sends me to thyself
For what is most my own.

I have a heritage of joy
That yet I must not see;
But the hand that bled to make it mine
Is keeping it for me.

4 My heart is resting, O my GOD,
My heart is in thy care;
I hear the voice of joy and health
Resounding everywhere.
'Thou art my portion,' saith my soul,
Ten thousand voices say,
And the music of their glad Amen
Will never die away. Amen.

785

Rev. Edward Hopper, 1871.

'For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.' Ps. xxxi. 3.

JESUS, SAVIOUR, pilot me
Over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll,
Hiding rock and treacherous shoal;
Chart and compass come from thee,
JESUS, SAVIOUR, pilot me!

2 As a mother stills her child,
Thou canst hush the ocean wild;
Boisterous waves obey thy will
When thou biddest them 'Be still!'
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea,
JESUS, SAVIOUR, pilot me!

3 When at last I near the shore,
And the fearful breakers roar
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest—
Then, while leaning on thy breast,
May I hear thee say to me,
'Fear not! I will pilot thee!' Amen.

786

Rev. George Bennard, 1913

'Jesus . . . for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.' Heb. xii. 2.

ON a hill far away stood a rough wooden cross,
The emblem of suff'ring and shame;
And I honour that cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

So I'll cherish the rough wooden cross,
Till my burdens at last I lay down;
And by grace I will carry my cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.

2 Oh, that rough wooden cross, so despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of GOD left his glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.

So I'll cherish the rough wooden cross.

3 In the rough wooden cross, stained with blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see;
For 'twas on that rough cross JESUS suffered and died
To pardon and sanctify me.

So I'll cherish the rough wooden cross.

4 To the rough wooden cross I will ever be true,
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
Where his glory for ever I'll share.

So I'll cherish the rough wooden cross. Amen.

787

P. P. Bliss, 1873.

'Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.' St. Matt. v. 6.

MORE holiness give me, more strivings within;
More patience in suffering, more sorrow for sin;
More faith in my SAVIOUR, more sense of his care;
More joy in his service, more purpose in prayer.

2 More gratitude give me, more trust in the LORD;
More zeal for his glory, more hope in his word;
More tears for his sorrows, more pain at his grief;
More meekness in trial, more praise for relief.

3 More purity give me, more strength to o'ercome;
More freedom from earth-stains, more longings for home;
More meet for thy kingdom, O LORD, would I be,
More fruitful, more holy; more, SAVIOUR, like thee. Amen.

788

Elizabeth Prentiss, 1869.

'Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee.' St. John xxi. 15.

MORE love to thee, O CHRIST,
More love to thee!
Hear thou the prayer I make
On bended knee;
This is my earnest plea,
More love, O CHRIST, to thee,
More love to thee.

2 Once earthly joy I craved,
Sought peace and rest,
Now thee alone I seek,
Give what is best:
This all my prayer shall be,
More love, O CHRIST, to thee,
More love to thee.

3 Then shall my latest breath
Whisper thy praise;
This be the parting cry
My heart shall raise;
This still its prayer shall be,
More love, O CHRIST, to thee,
More love to thee. Amen.

789

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1878.

'I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.' 2 Tim. i. 12.

I AM trusting thee, LORD JESUS,
Trusting only thee!
Trusting thee for full salvation,
Great and free.

2 I am trusting thee for pardon,
At thy feet I bow;
For thy grace and tender mercy,
Trusting now.

3 I am trusting thee for cleansing
In the crimson flood;
Trusting thee to make me holy
By thy Blood.

4 I am trusting thee to guide me;
Thou alone shalt lead,
Every day and hour supplying
All my need.

5 I am trusting thee for power,
Thine can never fail;
Words which thou thyself shalt give me
Must prevail.

6 I am trusting thee, LORD JESUS;
Never let me fall;
I am trusting thee for ever,
And for all. Amen.

790

Rev. Lewis Hartsough, 1874.

'But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.' 1 John i. 7.

I HEAR thy welcome voice
That calls me, LORD, to thee,
For cleansing in thy precious Blood
That flowed on Calvary.

I am coming, LORD!
Coming now to thee!
Wash me, cleanse me, in the Blood
That flowed on Calvary.

2 Though coming weak and vile,
Thou dost my strength assure;
Thou dost my vileness fully cleanse
Till spotless all and pure.

I am coming, LORD!

3 'Tis JESUS calls me on
To perfect faith and love,
To perfect hope, and peace, and trust,
For earth and heaven above.

I am coming, LORD!

4 'Tis JESUS who confirms
The blessèd work within,
By adding grace to welcomed grace,
Where reigned the power of sin.

I am coming, LORD!

5 And he the witness gives
To loyal hearts and free,
That every promise is fulfilled,
If faith but brings the plea.
I am coming, LORD!

6 All hail, atoning Blood!
All hail, redeeming grace!
All hail, the gift of CHRIST our LORD,
Our Strength and Righteousness!
I am coming, LORD! Amen.

791

Rev. J. H. Gilmore, 1862

'For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.' Isa. xli. 13.

HE leadeth me! O blessèd thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis GOD's hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me! he leadeth me!
By his own hand he leadeth me!
His faithful follower I would be,
For by his hand he leadeth me!

2 Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea—
Still 'tis his hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me! he leadeth me!

3 LORD, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine,
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my GOD that leadeth me.
He leadeth me! he leadeth me!

4 And, when my task on earth is done,
When, by thy grace, the victory's won,
Even death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since thou through Jordan leadest me.
He leadeth me! he leadeth me! Amen.

792 *Annie Sherwood Hawks*, 1872.

'Grace to help in time of need.' Heb. iv. 16.

I NEED thee every hour,
Most gracious LORD;
No tender voice like thine
Can peace afford.
I need thee, O I need thee,
Every hour I need thee;
O bless me now, my SAVIOUR,
I come to thee.

2 I need thee every hour,
Stay thou near by;
Temptations lose their power
When thou art nigh.
I need thee, O I need thee.

3 I need thee every hour,
In joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide,
Or life is vain.
I need thee, O I need thee.

4 I need thee every hour;
Teach me thy will,
And thy rich promises
In me fulfil.
I need thee, O I need thee. Amen.

793 *Frances J. Van Alstyne*, 1870.

'And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' Acts ii. 21.

PASS me not, O gentle SAVIOUR,
Hear my humble cry;
While on others thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.
SAVIOUR! SAVIOUR!
Hear my humble cry;
While on others thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

2 Let me at thy throne of mercy
Find a sweet relief;
Kneeling there in deep contrition,
Help my unbelief.
SAVIOUR! SAVIOUR!

3 Trusting only in thy merit,
Would I seek thy face;
Heal my wounded, broken spirit,
Save me by thy grace.
SAVIOUR! SAVIOUR!

4 Thou the spring of all my comfort,
More than life to me;
Whom have I on earth beside thee?
Whom in heaven but thee?
SAVIOUR! SAVIOUR! Amen.

794

Martha Stockton, 18 71.

'God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' St. John iii. 16.

GOD loved the world of sinners lost
And ruined by the fall;
Salvation full, at highest cost,
He offers free to all.
O 'twas love, 'twas wondrous love,
The love of GOD to me;
It brought my SAVIOUR from above,
To die on Calvary.

2 Even now by faith I claim him mine,
The risen SON of GOD;
Redemption by his death I find,
And cleansing through his blood.
O 'twas love, 'twas wondrous love.

3 Love brings the glorious fulness in,
And to his saints makes known
The blessèd rest from inbred sin,
Through faith in CHRIST alone.
O 'twas love, 'twas wondrous love.

4 Believing souls, rejoicing go;
There shall to you be given
A glorious foretaste here below
Of endless life in heaven.
O 'twas love, 'twas wondrous love.

5 Of victory now o'er Satan's power
Let all the ransomed sing,
And triumph in the dying hour
Through CHRIST the LORD, our King.
O 'twas love, 'twas wondrous love. Amen.

795

R. H. McDaniel, 1914.

'If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.' 2 Cor. v. 17.

WHAT a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
Since JESUS came into my heart;
I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
Since JESUS came into my heart.
Since JESUS came into my heart,
Since JESUS came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea-billows roll,
Since JESUS came into my heart

2 I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure,
Since JESUS came into my heart;
And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway obscure,
Since JESUS came into my heart.
Since JESUS came into my heart.

3 There's a light in the valley of death now for me,
Since JESUS came into my heart;
And the gates of the City beyond I can see,
Since JESUS came into my heart.
Since JESUS came into my heart.

4 I shall go there to dwell in that City I know,
Since JESUS came into my heart;
And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go,
Since JESUS came into my heart.
Since JESUS came into my heart. Amen.

796

Jessie B. Pounds, 1906.

'Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross . . . and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.' Heb. xii. 2.

I MUST needs go home by the way of the Cross,
There's no other way but this;
I shall ne'er get sight of the Gates of Light,
If the way of the Cross I miss.
The way of the Cross leads home,
The way of the Cross leads home.
It is sweet to know, as I onward go,
That the way of the Cross leads home.

2 I have lost my load at the foot of the Cross,
As here on my LORD I gaze;
With a lightened heart on the road I start,
And my heart has been filled with praise.
The way of the Cross leads home.

3 I must needs go on by the blood-sprinkled way,
The path that the SAVIOUR trod,
If I ever climb to the heights sublime,
Where the soul is at home with GOD.
The way of the Cross leads home.

4 For my LORD went first by the way of the Cross,
He died on the Cross for me;
'Twas a toilsome road for the Lamb of GOD;
Now a living way I see.
The way of the Cross leads home. Amen.

797

Ellen L. Goreh, 1883.

'Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence.'
Ps. xxxi. 20.

IN the secret of his presence, how my soul
delights to hide!
Oh how precious are the lessons which I learn
at JESUS' side;
Earthly cares can never vex me, neither trials
lay me low,
For when Satan comes to tempt me, to the
secret place I go.

2 When my soul is faint and thirsty, 'neath the
shadow of his wing
There is cool and pleasant shelter, and a fresh
and crystal spring;
And my SAVIOUR rests beside me, as we hold
communion sweet;
If I tried, I could not utter what he says when
thus we meet.

3 Only this I know: I tell him all my doubts, and
griefs, and fears;
Oh how patiently he listens, and my drooping
heart he cheers.
Do you think he ne'er reproves me? What a
false friend he would be,
If he never, never told me of the sins which he
must see.

4 Would you like to know the sweetness of the secret of the LORD?
Go and hide beneath his shadow, this shall then be your reward;
And whene'er you leave the silence of that happy meeting-place,
You must mind and bear the image of the Master in your face. Amen.

798

Rev. A. B. Simpson, 1905.

'Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?' St. Matt. xxvii. 22.

JESUS is standing in Pilate's hall,
Friendless, forsaken, betrayed by all:
Hearken! what meaneth the sudden call?
What will you do with JESUS?
What will you do with JESUS?
Neutral you cannot be;
Some day your heart will be asking,
'What will he do with me?'

2 JESUS is standing on trial still,
You can be false to him if you will,
You can be faithful through good or ill:
What will you do with JESUS?
What will you do with JESUS?

3 Will you evade him, as Pilate tried?
Or will you choose him, whate'er betide?
Vainly you struggle from him to hide:
What will you do with JESUS?
What will you do with JESUS?

4 Will you, like Peter, your LORD deny?
Or will you scorn from his foes to fly,
Daring for JESUS to live or die?
What will you do with JESUS?
What will you do with JESUS?

5 'JESUS, I give thee my heart to-day!
JESUS, I'll follow thee all the way,
Gladly obeying thee!' will you say,
'This will I do with JESUS?'

What will you do with JESUS? Amen.

799

Rev. F. W. Faber, 1862.

'And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.' St. John xii. 47.

SOULS of men, why will ye scatter
Like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts, why will ye wander
From a love so true and deep?

2 Was there ever kindest shepherd
Half so gentle, half so sweet,
As the SAVIOUR who would have us
Come and gather round his feet?

3 There's a wideness in GOD'S mercy
Like the wideness of the sea,
There's a kindness in his justice
Which is more than liberty.

4 There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgment given.

5 There is welcome for the sinner,
And more graces for the good;
There is mercy with the SAVIOUR;
There is healing in his Blood.

6 There is plentiful redemption
In the Blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.

7 For the love of GOD is broader
Than the measures of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.

8 But we make his love too narrow
By false limits of our own;
And we magnify its strictness
With a zeal he will not own.

9 Pining souls, come nearer JESUS,
And O come not doubting thus,
But with faith that trusts more bravely
His great tenderness for us.

10 If our love were but more simple,
We should take him at his word:
And our lives would be all sunshine
In the sweetness of our LORD. Amen.

800

George Rawson, 1857.

'Ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.' 1 Cor. xi. 26.

BY CHRIST redeemed, in CHRIST restored,
We keep the memory adored,
And show the death of our dear LORD
Until he come.

2 His Body slain upon the tree,
His life-blood, shed for us, we see;
Thus faith shall read the mystery
Until he come.

3 And thus that dark betrayal-night
With his last Advent we unite
By one blest chain of loving rite,
Until he come.

4 Until the trump of GOD be heard,
Until the ancient graves be stirred,
And with the great commanding word
The LORD shall come.

5 O blessèd hope! With this elate,
Let not our hearts be desolate,
But, strong in faith, in patience wait
Until he come! Amen.

801

Rev. F. L. Hosmer, 1876.

'I am the way, the truth and the life.' St. John xiv. 6.

O THOU in all thy might so far,
In all thy love so near,
Beyond the range of sun and star,
And yet beside us here:

2 What heart can comprehend thy name,
Or searching find thee out,
Who art within, a quickening flame,
A presence round about?

3 Yet though I know thee but in part,
I ask not, LORD, for more;
Enough for me to know thou art,
To love thee, and adore. Amen.

802

Rev. Edward Mote, 1834.

'It was founded upon a rock.' St. Matt. vii. 25.

MY hope is built on nothing less
Than JESUS' Blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on JESUS' Name.

On CHRIST, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

2 When clouds and darkness veil his face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.

On CHRIST, the solid rock.

3 His oath, his covenant, his Blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On CHRIST, *the solid rock.*

4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found
Clothed in his righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne!
On CHRIST, *the solid rock.* Amen.

803

George Herbert, 1633.

'Prepare your hearts unto the Lord, and serve him only.'
1 Sam. vii. 3.

KING of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
And that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working breast,
Thou hast spared me.

2 Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
Thou didst clear me;
And alone, when they replied,
Thou didst hear me.

3 Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
In my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
To enrol thee:
E'en eternity's too short
To extol thee. Amen.

804 *Rev. John Cawood*, 1819.

'And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God.' St. Luke ii. 13.

HARK! what mean those holy voices
Sweetly sounding through the skies?
Lo! th'angelic host rejoices,
Heavenly alleluias rise.
Listen to the wondrous story
Which they chant in hymns of joy—
'Glory in the highest, glory!
Glory be to GOD on high!

Glory in the highest, glory,
Glory be to GOD on high.'

2 'Peace on earth, goodwill from heaven,
Reaching to earth's utmost bound;
Man redeemed, his sins forgiven,
Loud our golden harps shall sound.
'CHRIST is born; the great Anointed!
Heaven and earth his praises sing!
O receive whom GOD appointed
For your Prophet, Priest, and King!

Glory in the highest, glory,
Glory be to GOD on high!'

3 'Hasten, mortals, to adore him;
Learn his Name to magnify,
Till in heaven ye sing before him
Glory be to GOD on high!'
Let us learn the wondrous story
Of our great REDEEMER's birth;
Spread the brightness of his glory
Till it cover all the earth.

Glory in the highest, glory,
Glory be to GOD on high! Amen.

805 *Sir Cecil Spring-Rice*, 1918.

'He shall give strength unto his king.' 1 Sam. ii. 10.

I VOW to thee, my country—all earthly things above—
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

2 And there's another country, I've heard of long ago—
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King,
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace. Amen.

THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

806 *William Edgar Enman*, 1908.

'Behold the Lamb of God.' St. John i. 29.

LAMB of GOD, to thee we raise
Hymns of holy love and praise,
For the saint and prophet born
To be herald of the morn.

2 Like the morning star he rose
Thine appearing to disclose,
Like an ensign lifted high
He declared thy kingdom nigh.

3 Filled with grace and sanctity
From his blest nativity,
He, the new Elias, came
Bearing zeal's most sacred flame.

4 Kinsman of the King divine,
Greatest of the prophets' line,
Blest forerunner of the LORD,
Who his praises can record?

5 Mighty preacher, by whose word
Souls to penitence were stirred,
Those who long in sin had strayed
Then the call divine obeyed.

6 Make us, LORD, like him to be
Fearless witnesses for thee,
Faithful unto death be found,
And at last by thee be crowned. Amen.

807

Anon., c. 1914.

'Mary the mother of Jesus.' Acts i. 14.

SING of Mary, pure and lowly,
Virgin-Mother undefiled.
Sing of GOD's own SON most holy,
Who became her little child.
Fairest child of fairest Mother,
GOD the LORD who came to earth,
Word made Flesh, our very Brother,
Takes our nature by his birth.

2 Sing of JESUS, Son of Mary,
In the home at Nazareth.
Toil and labour cannot weary
Love enduring unto death.

Constant was the love he gave her,
Though it drove him from her side,
Forth to preach, and heal, and suffer,
Till on Calvary he died.

3 Sing of Mary, sing of JESUS,
Holy Mother's holier son.
From his throne in heaven he sees us,
Thither calls us every one,
Where he welcomes home his Mother
To a place at his right hand,
There his faithful servants gather,
There the crownèd victors stand.

4 Joyful Mother, full of gladness,
In thine arms thy LORD was borne.
Mournful Mother, full of sadness,
All thy heart with pain was torn.
Glorious Mother, now rewarded
With a crown at JESUS' hand,
Age to age thy name recorded
Shall be blest in every land.

5 Glory be to GOD the FATHER;
Glory be to GOD the SON;
Glory be to GOD the SPIRIT;
Glory to the THREE in ONE.
From the heart of blessèd Mary,
From all saints the song ascends,
And the Church the strain re-echoes
Unto earth's remotest ends. Amen.

808

Rev. Prof. Cyril C. Richardson, 1938.

'Happy is he . . . whose hope is in the Lord his God.'
Ps. cxlvi. 5.

GOD of the prairies, by thy boundless grace,
Give us the strength to build a worthy race,
That shall not lose its steadfast faith in thee,
Through all the winds and hails of destiny.

2 Here shall thy seed fall on no untilled soil,
For we have pledged unwearying hands to toil,
Till through the miles of myriad wheat is heard
The whispering voice of thine Almighty word.

3 Teach us to seek our happiness in thee,
To know the joys of simple purity:
Clean laughter's ring and all the ample wealth
Of youthful strength and vig'rous life and health.

4 Grant us such breadth of vision, that our eyes,
Scanning the wheat that meets the flaming skies
Far in the West, may never be made blind
Through selfish aims or narrowness of mind.

5 God of the prairies, by thy boundless grace,
Give us the strength to build a worthy race,
That shall not lose its steadfast faith in thee,
Through all the winds and hails of destiny.
Amen.

BURIAL OF THE DEAD

809 *Rev. John Ellerton*, 1858, *rev.* 1867.

'He is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him.' St. Luke xx. 38.

God of the living, in whose eyes
Unveiled thy whole creation lies,
All souls are thine; we must not say
That those are dead who pass away,
From this our world of flesh set free;
We know them living unto thee.

2 Released from earthly toil and strife,
With thee is hidden still their life;
Thine are their thoughts, their works, their powers,
All thine, and yet most truly ours;
For well we know, where'er they be,
Our dead are living unto thee.

3 Not spilt like water on the ground,
Not wrapped in dreamless sleep profound,
Not wandering in unknown despair
Beyond thy voice, thine arm, thy care;
Not left to lie like fallen tree;
Not dead, but living unto thee.

4 Thy word is true, thy will is just;
To thee we leave them, LORD, in trust;
And bless thee for the love which gave
Thy SON to fill a human grave,
That none might fear that world to see
Where all are living unto thee.

5 O Breather into man of breath,
O Holder of the keys of death,
O Giver of the life within,
Save us from death, the death of sin;
That body, soul, and spirit be
For ever living unto thee. Amen.

810

Rev. Richard Baxter, 1689.

'I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.' St. John x. 14.

CHRIST, who knows all his sheep,
Will all in safety keep.
He will not lose one soul,
Nor ever fail us;
Nor we the promis'd goal,
Though hell assail us.

2 I know my GOD is just,
To him I wholly trust.
All that I have and am,
All that I hope for.
All's sure and seen to him,
Which here I grope for.

3 LORD JESUS, take this spirit,
We trust thy love and merit.
Take home the wand'ring sheep,
For thou hast sought it;
This soul in safety keep,
For thou hast bought it. Amen.

HYMNS SUITABLE FOR BURIAL

16 Abide with me.
29 How sweet the hour of closing day.
70 Day of wrath.
107 O Lord, turn not thy face.
304 God be with you.
417 Far from my heavenly home.
429 O God of Bethel
453 When our heads are bowed.
504 Rest of the weary.
511 When the day of toil is done.
514 Lord Jesus, think on me.
519 Lead, kindly Light.
535 O let him whose sorrow.
538 God is love; his mercy brightens.
574 Nearer, my God, to thee.
613 O what their joy.
614 Where the Light for ever shineth.
621 Now the labourer's task.
622 For ever with the Lord.
625 Hush! blessèd are the dead.
633 They whose course.
671 When on my day of life.
673 On the resurrection morning.
759 My God, my Father, dost thou call.
762 Lord, not despairingly.
780 Softly and tenderly.

BURIAL OF CHILDREN

547 The Lord's my Shepherd.
688 There's a Friend for little children.
700 Now the light has gone away.
706 Around the throne of God.
724 When he cometh.
731 There came a little Child.
772 Safe in the arms of Jesus.

AT CLOSE OF DAY

811a

Rev. Thomas Tiplady, 1938.

'And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.' Isa. lxv. 24.

ERE we take our homeward way
At the closing of the day,
Hear, O LORD, our litany!
Let thy radiance on us shine,
And our wills uplift to thine:
Hear, O LORD, our litany!

2 O'er each child as Guardian stand;
Bind the old in slumber's band:
Hear, O LORD, our litany!
May the sick be in thy care,
Those who watch, thy presence share;
Hear, O LORD, our litany!

3 Bless the men who, when night falls,
Gladly answer duty's calls:
Hear, O LORD, our litany!
These, and all men, in thy sight
Safely keep till morning light:
Hear, O LORD, our litany! Amen.

811b

Adelaide A. Procter, 1861.

'O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker.' Ps. xcv. 6.

BEFORE thy throne, O LORD of heaven,
We kneel at close of day;
Look on thy children from on high,
And hear us while we pray. Amen.

811c

'God be merciful unto us, and bless us.' Ps. lxvii. 1.

O SAVIOUR, ere we part,
Thy blessing we implore;
O guard us, shield us, be our stay,
This night and evermore. Amen.

811d *Translated from the Icelandic of Páll Jónsson* (1889) *by Bishop C. Venn Pilcher*, 1913.

'That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.' St. John i. 9.

Sólin hylst í hafsins djúpi.

ON the wings of light declining,
Sinks the westering sun to sleep;
LORD, thine eyes in dark or shining
Vigil keep.

2 Let thy light, which faileth never,
Round me shine, though day depart,
And, though night prevaileth, ever
Flood my heart. Amen.

811e

'The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him.' Ps. cxlv. 18.

FADING light dims the sight,
And a star gems the sky,
Gleaming bright from afar,
Drawing nigh falls the night.

2 Day is done, gone the sun
From the lake, from the hills,
From the sky. All is well.
Safely rest, GOD is nigh.

INVOCATION OF THE TRINITY

SAINT PATRICK'S BREAST-PLATE

812 *Ascribed to St. Patrick*, 372–466. *Tr.* (1889) *by Cecil Frances Alexander.*

'There are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one.' 1 John v. 7.

Atompiuz indiu.

I BIND unto myself to-day
The strong Name of the TRINITY;
By invocation of the same,
The THREE in ONE, and ONE in THREE.

2 I bind this day to me for ever,
By power of faith, CHRIST's Incarnation;
His baptism in Jordan river;
His death on Cross for my salvation;
His bursting from the spicèd tomb;
His riding up the heavenly way;
His coming at the day of doom;
I bind unto myself to-day.

3 I bind unto myself the power
Of the great love of Cherubim;
The sweet 'Well done' in judgment hour;
The service of the Seraphim,
Confessors' faith, Apostles' word,
The Patriarchs' prayers, the Prophets' scrolls,
All good deeds done unto the LORD,
And purity of virgin souls.

4 I bind unto myself to-day
The virtues of the star-lit heaven,
The glorious sun's life-giving ray,
The whiteness of the moon at even,
The flashing of the lightning free,
The whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
The stable earth, the deep salt sea,
Around the old eternal rocks.

5 I bind unto myself to-day
The power of GOD to hold and lead,
His eye to watch, his might to stay,
His ear to hearken to my need.
The wisdom of my GOD to teach,
His hand to guide, his shield to ward;
The word of GOD to give me speech,
His heavenly host to be my guard.

6 CHRIST be with me, CHRIST within me,
CHRIST behind me, CHRIST before me,
CHRIST beside me, CHRIST to win me,
CHRIST to comfort and restore me.

CHRIST beneath me, CHRIST above me,
  CHRIST in quiet, CHRIST in danger,
CHRIST in hearts of all that love me,
  CHRIST in mouth of friend and stranger.

7 I bind unto myself the Name,
  The strong Name of the TRINITY;
By invocation of the same,
  The THREE in ONE and ONE in THREE,
Of whom all nature hath creation;
  Eternal FATHER, SPIRIT, WORD;
Praise to the LORD of my salvation,
  Salvation is of CHRIST the LORD. Amen.

ANCIENT OFFICE HYMNS

DAILY

MORNING

1 *Robert Bridges in the 'Yattendon Hymnal'*, 1899.

Nocte surgentes.

CHRIST'S loving children, for his hope abiding,
Active in gladness, or in hymns adoring;
Be we as servants that await a Master
Sorely delaying.

2 Happy those servants, whether he returneth
At dead of midnight, or at early morning:
Happy those servants, if he only find them
Faithfully watching.

3 FATHER of mercies, give us holy comfort
Here in our pains, and Paradise hereafter:
Where in eternal vision uncreated
Joy never endeth. Amen.

2 *Tr.* (1899) *from the Latin of St. Ambrose* (340–397) *by Robert Bridges in the 'Yattendon Hymnal'.*

Splendor paternae gloriae.

O SPLENDOUR of GOD'S glory bright,
O thou that bringest light from light,
O Light of light, light's living spring,
O Day, all days illumining.

2 O thou true Sun, on us thy glance
Let fall in royal radiance,
The SPIRIT'S sanctifying beam
Upon our earthly senses stream.

3 The FATHER, too, our prayers implore,
FATHER of glory evermore,
The FATHER of all grace and might,
To banish sin from our delight:

4 To guide whate'er we nobly do,
With love all envy to subdue,
To make ill-fortune turn to fair,
And give us grace our wrongs to bear.

5 Our mind be in his keeping placed,
Our body true to him and chaste,
Where only faith her fire shall feed,
To burn the tares of Satan's seed.

6 And CHRIST to us for food shall be,
From him our drink that welleth free,
The SPIRIT's wine, that maketh whole,
And, mocking not, exalts the soul.

7 Rejoicing may this day go hence,
Like virgin dawn our innocence,
Like fiery noon our faith appear,
Nor know the gloom of twilight drear.

8 Morn in her rosy care is borne;
Let him come forth our perfect Morn,
The WORD in GOD the FATHER one,
The FATHER perfect in the SON.

9 All laud to GOD the FATHER be,
All praise, eternal SON, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To GOD the holy PARACLETE. Amen.

FIRST HOUR

3

NOW that the daylight fills the sky, No. 4.

THIRD HOUR

4 *Tr.* (1836) *from the Latin of St. Ambrose* (340–397) *by Rev. J. H. Newman.*

Nunc Sancte nobis Spiritus.

COME, HOLY GHOST, who ever one
Art with the FATHER and the SON,
Come, HOLY GHOST, our souls possess
With thy full flood of holiness.

2 In will and deed, by heart and tongue,
With all our powers, thy praise be sung;
And love light up our mortal frame,
Till others catch the living flame.

3 Almighty FATHER, hear our cry
Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD most high,
Who with the HOLY GHOST and thee
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

SIXTH HOUR (NOON)

5 *Tr.* (1852) *from the Latin of St. Ambrose* (340–397) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

Rector potens, verax Deus.

O GOD of truth, O LORD of might,
Who ord'rest time and change aright,
And send'st the early morning ray,
And light'st the glow of perfect day:

2 Extinguish thou each sinful fire,
And banish every ill desire;
And while thou keep'st the body whole,
Shed forth thy peace upon the soul.

3 O FATHER, that we ask be done,
Through JESUS CHRIST, thine only SON;
Who, with the HOLY GHOST and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

NINTH HOUR

6 *Tr.* (1852) *from the Latin of St. Ambrose* (340–397) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

Rerum Deus tenax vigor.

O GOD, Creation's secret force,
Thyself unmoved, all motion's source,
Who from the morn till evening ray
Through all its changes guid'st the day:

2 Grant us, when this short life is past,
The glorious evening that shall last;
That, by a holy death attained,
Eternal glory may be gained.

3 O FATHER, that we ask be done,
Through JESUS CHRIST, thine only SON;
Who, with the HOLY GHOST and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

COMPLINE (LATE EVENING)

7 *Tr.* (1852) *from the Latin* (*c. 7th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

Te lucis ante terminum.

BEFORE the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That with thy wonted favour thou
Wouldst be our Guard and Keeper now.

2 From all ill dreams defend our eyes,
From nightly fears and fantasies;
Tread under foot our ghostly foe,
That no pollution we may know.

3 O FATHER, that we ask be done,
Through JESUS CHRIST, thine only SON;
Who, with the HOLY GHOST and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

V. Keep me, O LORD, as the apple of an eye; *R.* Hide me under the shadow of thy wings. *Ant.* Preserve us, O LORD, while waking, and guard us while sleeping; that awake we may watch with CHRIST, and asleep we may rest in peace.

EVENING

8 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin* (*c. 5th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

Lucis Creator optime.

OBLEST Creator of the light,
Who mak'st the day with radiance bright,
And o'er the forming world didst call
The light from chaos first of all;

2 Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them Day:
Night comes with all its darkling fears;
Regard thy people's prayers and tears,

3 Lest, sunk in sin, and whelm'd with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life;
While thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave new chains of woe and crime.

4 But grant them grace that they may strain
The heavenly gate and prize to gain:
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past.

5 O FATHER, that we ask be done,
Through JESUS CHRIST, thine only SON;
Who, with the HOLY GHOST and thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

For a different translation see No. 56.

V. LORD, let my prayer be set forth; *R.* In thy sight as the incense. *Ant.* Grant us thy light, O LORD: that the darkness of our hearts being

done away, we may come to the true light, even CHRIST, our SAVIOUR.

WEEK DAYS

9 *Tr.* (1852) *from the Latin of St. Ambrose* (340–397) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

O Lux beata Trinitas.

O TRINITY of blessèd light,
O UNITY of princely might,
The fiery sun now goes his way;
Shed thou within our hearts thy ray.

2 To thee our morning song of praise,
To thee our evening prayer we raise;
Thy glory suppliant we adore
For ever and for evermore.

3 All laud to GOD the FATHER be;
All praise, eternal SON, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To GOD the holy PARACLETE. Amen.

V. Let our evening prayer come up before thee, O LORD. *R.* And let thy mercy come down on us. *Ant.* Our hope art thou, our salvation, our great glory: O blessed TRINITY.

ADVENT

10 CREATOR of the starry height, No. 66.

V. Drop down, ye heavens, from above; *R.* And let the skies pour down righteousness; let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation. *Ant.* Behold the Name of the LORD cometh from afar: and his glory filleth all the earth.

CHRISTMAS

11 *Tr.* (1870) *from the Latin of Sedulius (c. 5th cent.) by Rev John Ellerton.*

A solis ortus cardine.

FROM east to west, from shore to shore,
Let ev'ry heart awake and sing
The Holy Child whom Mary bore,
The CHRIST, the everlasting King.

2 Behold! the world's Creator wears
The form and fashion of a slave;
Our very flesh our Maker shares,
His fallen creature, man, to save.

3 For this how wondrously he wrought!
A maiden, in her lowly place,
Became, in ways beyond all thought,
The chosen vessel of his grace.

4 She bowed her to the angel's word
Declaring what the FATHER willed,
And suddenly the promised LORD
That pure and hallowed temple filled.

5 He shrank not from the oxen's stall,
He lay within the manger bed,
And he whose bounty feedeth all
At Mary's breast himself was fed.

6 And while the angels in the sky
Sang praise above the silent field,
To shepherds poor the LORD most high,
The one great Shepherd, was revealed.

7 All glory for this blessèd morn
To GOD the FATHER ever be;
All praise to thee, O Virgin-born,
All praise, O HOLY GHOST, to thee. Amen.

V. Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the LORD. *R.* GOD is the LORD who hath showed us light. *Ant.* Glory to GOD in the highest: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. Alleluia.

SAINT STEPHEN

12 *Tr.* (1852) *from the Latin* (10*th*–16*th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

Sancte Dei pretiose.

SAINT of GOD, elect and precious,
Protomartyr Stephen, bright
With thy love of amplest measure,
Shining round thee like a light;
Who to GOD commendedst, dying,
Them that did thee all despite:

2 Glitters now the crown above thee,
Figured in thy sacred name:
O that we, who truly love thee,
May have portion in the same;
In the dreadful day of judgment
Fearing neither sin nor shame.

3 Laud to GOD, and might, and honour,
Who with flowers of rosy dye
Crowned thy forehead, and hath placed thee
In the starry throne on high:
He direct us, he protect us
From death's sting eternally. Amen.

V. The righteous shall blossom as a lily. *R.* He shall flourish for ever before the LORD. *Ant.* They stoned Stephen, calling upon the LORD and saying: LORD, lay not this sin to their charge.

THE INNOCENTS' DAY

13 *Tr.* (1906) *from the Latin of Prudentius* (348–413) *by Athelstan Riley.*

Salvete flores martyrum.

ALL hail, ye little Martyr flowers,
Cut off in life's first dawning hours!
When Herod sought the CHRIST to find
Ye fell as bloom before the wind.

2 What profited this great offence?
What use was Herod's violence?
A Babe survives that dreadful day,
And CHRIST is safely borne away.

DOXOLOGY as at A.O.H. 9.

V. The city shall be full of boys and girls: *R.* Playing in the streets thereof. *Ant.* These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto GOD and the Lamb: and in their mouth was found no guile.

THE EPIPHANY

14 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin of Sedulius (c. 5th cent.) by Rev. John M. Neale.*

Hostis Herodes impie.

HOW vain the cruel Herod's fear
When told that CHRIST the King is near!
He takes not earthly realms away,
Who gives the realms that ne'er decay.

2 The eastern sages saw from far
And followed on his guiding star;
By light their way to Light they trod,
And by their gifts confessed their GOD.

3 Within the Jordan's sacred flood
The heavenly Lamb in meekness stood,
That he, to whom no sin was known,
Might cleanse his people from their own.

4 And O what miracle divine,
When water reddened into wine!
He spake the word, and forth it flowed
In streams that nature ne'er bestowed.

5 All glory, JESU, be to thee
For this thy glad Epiphany:
Whom with the FATHER we adore
And HOLY GHOST for evermore. Amen.

V. All they from Sheba shall come. *R.* They shall bring gold and incense, and shall show forth the praises of the LORD. *Ant.* The Wise Men, beholding the star, said one to another: This is the sign of a mighty King: let us go forth and seek him, and let us offer him gifts, gold, incense, and myrrh.

NOTE.—For Sunday evenings from THE EPIPHANY till LENT see A.O.H. 8.

LENT (till LENT III)

15 *Tr.* (1906) *from the Latin of St. Gregory the Great* (*6th cent.*) *by Canon T. A. Lacey.*

Audi benigne Conditor.

O KIND Creator, bow thine ear
To mark the cry, to know the tear
Before thy throne of mercy spent
In this thy holy fast of Lent.

2 Our hearts are open, LORD, to thee:
Thou knowest our infirmity;
Pour out on all who seek thy face
Abundance of thy pardoning grace.

3 Our sins are many, this we know;
Spare us, good LORD, thy mercy show;
And for the honour of thy Name
Our fainting souls to life reclaim.

4 Give us the self-control that springs
From discipline of outward things,
That fasting inward secretly
The soul may purely dwell with thee.

5 We pray thee, HOLY TRINITY,
One GOD, unchanging UNITY,
That we from this our abstinence
May reap the fruits of penitence. Amen.

V. He shall give his angels charge over thee, *R.* To keep thee in all thy ways. *Ant.* Behold now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation; let us therefore approve ourselves as the servants of GOD in much patience, in watchings, in fastings, and by love unfeigned.

LENT III till PASSIONTIDE

16 *Tr.* (1906) *from the Latin asc. to St. Gregory the Great* (*6th cent.*) *by Canon T. A. Lacey.*

Ecce tempus idoneum.

NOW is the healing time decreed
For sins of heart, of word or deed,
When we in humble fear record
The wrong that we have done the LORD;

2 Who, alway merciful and good,
Has borne so long our wayward mood,
Nor cut us off unsparingly
In our so great iniquity.

3 Therefore with fasting and with prayer,
Our secret sorrow we declare;
With all good striving seek his face,
And lowly hearted plead for grace.

4 Cleanse us, O LORD, from every stain,
Help us the meed of praise to gain,
Till with the Angels linked in love
Joyful we tread thy courts above.

5 FATHER and SON and SPIRIT blest,
To thee be every prayer addrest,
Who art in threefold Name adored,
From age to age, the only LORD. Amen.

VERSICLE, RESPONSE, and ANTHEM as at A.O.H. 15.

PASSIONTIDE (PASSION SUNDAY till MAUNDY THURSDAY)

17 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin of Fortunatus* (*6th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

Vexilla Regis prodeunt.

THE royal banners forward go,
The Cross shines forth in mystic glow;
Where he in flesh, our flesh who made,
Our sentence bore, our ransom paid.

2 There whilst he hung, his sacred side
By soldier's spear was opened wide,
To cleanse us in the precious flood
Of water mingled with his Blood.

3 Fulfilled is now what David told
In true prophetic song of old,
How GOD the heathen's King should be;
For GOD is reigning from the Tree.

4 O Tree of glory, Tree most fair,
Ordained those holy limbs to bear,
How bright in purple robe it stood,
The purple of a SAVIOUR's Blood!

5 Upon its arms, like balance true,
He weighed the price for sinners due,
The price which none but he could pay,
And spoiled the spoiler of his prey.

6 To thee, Eternal THREE in ONE,
Let homage meet by all be done:
As by the Cross thou dost restore,
So rule and guide us evermore. Amen.

For a different version see No. 128.

V. They gave me gall to eat. *R.* And when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink. *Ant.* I am one that bear witness of myself: and the FATHER that sent me beareth witness of me.

18 *Tr.* (1851) *from the Latin of Fortunatus* (*6th cent.*) *by Rev. John M. Neale.*

PART 1.

Pange lingua gloriosi proelium certaminis.

SING, my tongue, the glorious battle,
Sing the last, the dread affray;
O'er the Cross, the Victor's trophy,
Sound the high triumphal lay,
How, the pains of death enduring,
Earth's Redeemer won the day.

2 He, our Maker, deeply grieving,
That the first-made Adam fell,
When he ate the fruit forbidden
Whose reward was death and hell,
Marked e'en then this tree the ruin
Of the first tree to dispel.

3 Thus the work for our salvation
He ordainèd to be done;
To the traitor's art opposing
Art yet deeper than his own;
Thence the remedy procuring
Whence the fatal wound begun.

4 Therefore, when at length the fulness
Of the appointed time was come,
He was sent, the world's Creator,
From the FATHER's heavenly home,
And was found in human fashion,
Offspring of the Virgin's womb.

5 Lo! he lies, an Infant weeping,
Where the narrow manger stands,
While the Mother-Maid his members
Wraps in mean and lowly bands,
And the swaddling clothes is winding
Round his helpless feet and hands.

For DOXOLOGY see Part 3.

PART 2

Lustra sex qui jam peracta.

THIRTY years among us dwelling,
His appointed time fulfilled,
Born for this, he meets his Passion,
For that this he freely willed,
On the Cross the Lamb is lifted
Where his life-blood shall be spilled.

2 He endured the nails, the spitting,
Vinegar, and spear, and reed;
From that holy Body broken
Blood and water forth proceed:
Earth, and stars, and sky, and ocean
By that flood from stain are freed.

PART 3

Crux fidelis.

FAITHFUL Cross! above all other,
One and only noble tree!
None in foliage, none in blossom,
None in fruit thy peer may be;
Sweetest wood and sweetest iron!
Sweetest weight is hung on thee.

2 Bend thy boughs, O Tree of Glory!
Thy relaxing sinews bend;
For awhile the ancient rigour
That thy birth bestowed, suspend,
And the King of heavenly beauty
On thy bosom gently tend!

3 Thou alone wast counted worthy
This world's ransom to uphold;
For a shipwreck'd race preparing
Harbour, like the Ark of old;
With the sacred Blood anointed
From the smitten Lamb that rolled.

4 To the TRINITY be glory
Everlasting, as is meet;
Equal to the FATHER, equal
To the SON, and PARACLETE:
Trinal UNITY, whose praises
All created things repeat. Amen.

VERSICLE, RESPONSE, and ANTHEM as at A.O.H. 17.

19 EASTER

THE Lamb's high banquet called to share, No. 158.

V. In thy resurrection, O CHRIST; Alleluia. *R.* Let heaven and earth rejoice; Alleluia. *Ant.* When JESUS was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalen, out of whom he had cast seven devils; Alleluia.

20

LIGHT'S glittering morn bedecks the sky, No. 159, Part 1.

DOXOLOGY, VERSICLE, and ANTHEM as at A.O.H. 19.

FEASTS OF APOSTLES IN EASTERTIDE

21

THE Apostles' hearts were full of pain, No. 159, Part 2.

DOXOLOGY as at No. 158.

V. Then were the disciples glad; Alleluia. *R.* When they saw the LORD; Alleluia. *Ant.* Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous; Alleluia: Blessed are ye whom GOD hath chosen to him to be his inheritance; Alleluia.

22 MORNING: EASTERTIDE

THAT Easter-tide with joy was bright, No. 159, Part 3.

DOXOLOGY, VERSICLE, and ANTHEM as at A.O.H. 19.

ASCENSIONTIDE

23

Tr. (1851) *from the Latin* (*5th cent.*) *by Rev. J. M. Neale.*

Aeterne Rex altissime.

ETERNAL Monarch, King most high,
Whose Blood hath brought redemption nigh,
By whom the death of Death was wrought,
And conquering Grace's battle fought:

2 Ascending to the throne of might,
And seated at the FATHER's right,
All power in heaven is JESUS' own
That here his manhood had not known.

3 That so, in nature's triple frame,
Each heavenly and each earthly name,
And things in hell's abyss abhorred,
May bend the knee and own him LORD.

4 Yea, Angels tremble when they see
How changed is our humanity;
That flesh hath purged what flesh had stained,
And GOD, the Flesh of GOD, hath reigned!

5 Be thou our joy and strong defence,
Who art our future recompense:
So shall the light that springs from thee
Be ours through all eternity.

6 O risen CHRIST, ascended LORD,
All praise to thee let earth accord,
Who art, while endless ages run,
With FATHER and with SPIRIT ONE. Amen.

V. CHRIST going up on high; Alleluia. *R.* Led captivity captive; Alleluia. *Ant.* FATHER, I have

manifested thy Name unto the men whom thou gavest me: and now I pray for them: for they are in the world, and I come to thee; Alleluia.

WHITSUNTIDE

24 *Tr.* (1906) *from the Latin* (*c.* 4*th cent.*) *by R. E. Roberts.*

Beata nobis gaudia.

REJOICE! the year upon its way
Has brought again that blessèd day,
When on the chosen of the LORD
The HOLY SPIRIT was outpoured.

2 On each the fire, descending, stood
In quivering tongues' similitude—
Tongues, that their words might ready prove,
And fire, to make them flame with love.

3 To all in every tongue they spoke;
Amazement in the crowd awoke,
Who mocked, as overcome with wine,
Those who were filled with power divine.

4 These things were done in type that day,
When Eastertide had passed away,
The number told which once set free
The captive at the jubilee.

5 And now, O holy GOD, this day
Regard us as we humbly pray,
And send us, from thy heavenly seat,
The blessings of the PARACLETE.

6 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,
And GOD the SPIRIT, praise be done;
May CHRIST the LORD upon us pour
The SPIRIT's gift for evermore. Amen.

For a different translation see No. 179.

V. The SPIRIT of the LORD filleth the world; Alleluia. *R.* And that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice; Alleluia. *Ant.* If a

man love me, he will keep my sayings, and my FATHER will love him: and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him; Alleluia.

25 TRINITY SUNDAY

BE present, HOLY TRINITY, No. 183.

V. Let us bless the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY GHOST. *R.* Let us praise him and magnify him for ever. *Ant.* Thee, O GOD, the FATHER, unbegotten; thee, O only-begotten SON; thee, O HOLY SPIRIT, the PARACLETE; holy and undivided TRINITY: with our whole heart and lips we confess, we praise thee, and we bless thee: to thee be glory for ever and ever.

NOTE.—For Sunday evenings in TRINITYTIDE see A.O.H. 8.

26 THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

THE GOD whom earth, and sea, and sky, No. 192.

V. Full of grace are thy lips. *R.* Because GOD hath blessed thee for ever. *Ant.* All generations shall call me blessed; for GOD hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST

27 *Tr.* (1906) *from the Latin of Paul the Deacon (8th cent.) by R. E. Roberts.*

Ut queant laxis.

LET thine example, holy John, remind us,
Ere we can meetly sing thy deeds of wonder,
Hearts must be chastened, and the bonds that bind us
Broken asunder!

2 Lo! a swift Angel, from the skies descending,
Tells to thy father what shall be thy naming;
All thy life's greatness to its bitter ending
Duly proclaiming.

3 But when he doubted what the Angel told him,
Came to him dumbness to confirm the story:
At thine appearing, healed again behold him,
Chanting thy glory!

4 Oh! what a splendour and a revelation
Came to each mother, at thy joyful leaping,
Greeting thy Monarch, King of every nation,
In the womb sleeping.

5 Angels in orders everlasting praise thee,
God, in thy triune Majesty tremendous;
Hark to the prayers we, penitents, upraise thee:
Save and defend us. Amen.

V. There was a man sent from God. *R.* Whose name was John. *Ant.* It came to pass that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him after the name of his father, Zacharias; and his mother answered, saying: Not so, but he shall be called John.

THE TRANSFIGURATION

28 *Tr. from the Latin of Prudentius* (405).

Quicumque Christum quaeritis.

ALL ye who seek for Jesus, raise
Your eyes above, and upward gaze:
There may you see the wondrous sign
Of never-ending glory shine.

2 So shines the Gentiles' King and Lord,
The Prince by Judah's race adored,
Promised to Abraham of yore,
And to his seed for evermore.

3 To him the prophets testify:
And that same witness, from on high
The FATHER seals by his decree:
Hear and believe my SON, saith he.

4 All laud to GOD the FATHER be;
All praise, eternal SON, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To GOD the holy PARACLETE. Amen.

V. O LORD, thou art become exceeding glorious. *R.* Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment. *Ant.* To-day when the FATHER'S voice was heard, and the LORD was transfigured: Moses and Elias appeared in glory and spake with him of his decease which he should accomplish.

29 NAME OF JESUS

TO the Name of our salvation, No. 492.

V. Blessed be the Name of the LORD. *R.* From this time forth for evermore. *Ant.* For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.

ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

Tr. from the Latin of Rabanus Maurus (9th cent.) by Rev. John M. Neale and others.

30

Tibi, Christe, splendor Patris.

THEE, O CHRIST, the FATHER'S splendour,
Praise we now with voice and heart.
With the Angels and Archangels
Sing we now with tuneful art,
Meetly in alternate chorus
Bearing our responsive part.

2 Thus we sing in exultation
With the armies of the sky,
Joining with the warrior Primate,
Of celestial chivalry,
Michael, who defends thy people
From the foes that round them lie.

3 Watchful Angels at thy bidding,
King of everlasting grace,
Guard the heirs of thy redemption,
From all evil things and base,
May they succour and defend us,
Till in heaven we take our place.

4 To the TRINITY be glory
Everlasting, as is meet;
Equal to the FATHER, equal
To the SON, and PARACLETE:
Trinal UNITY, whose praises
All created things repeat. Amen.

V. Praise the LORD all ye Angels of his: *R.* Praise him all his host. *Ant.* Angels and Archangels, Cherubim and Seraphim, fall down before the throne and worship GOD, saying: Amen, blessing and glory be unto our GOD for ever and ever. Alleluia.

31 ALL SAINTS

IF thou hast the skill to reckon, No. 210.

V. O GOD, wonderful art thou in thy saints: *R.* And glorious in thy Majesty. *Ant.* Thee the glorious company of the Apostles, thee the goodly fellowship of the Prophets, thee the white-robed army of Martyrs: thee all thy chosen people with one voice acknowledge, O blessed TRINITY, One GOD.

32 APOSTLES AND EVANGELISTS

THE eternal gifts of CHRIST the King, No. 212.

V. They declared his honour unto the heathen, *R.* And his wonders unto all people. *Ant.* In the regeneration, when the Son of Man shall sit upon the throne of his glory: ye also shall sit, and shall judge the twelve tribes of Israel, saith the LORD.

MARTYRS

33

Tr. from the Latin (6th cent.) by R. F. Littledale and others.

Rex gloriose Martyrum.

O GLORIOUS King of Martyr hosts,
Thou Crown that each Confessor boasts,
Who leadest to celestial day
The Saints who cast earth's joys away:

2 Thine ear in mercy, SAVIOUR, lend,
While unto thee our prayers ascend;
And as we count their triumphs won,
Forgive the sins that we have done.

3 Martyrs in thee their triumphs gain,
Confessors grace from thee obtain;
We sinners humbly seek to thee,
From sin's offence to set us free.

4 All laud to GOD the FATHER be,
All praise, eternal SON, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To GOD the holy PARACLETE. Amen.

V. The righteous shall blossom as a lily: *R.* He shall flourish for ever before the LORD. *Ant.* If any man will come after me: let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me.

CONFESSORS

34 *Tr. from the Latin (8th cent.) by Laurence Housman.*

Iste Confessor.

HE, whose confession GOD of old accepted,
Whom through the ages all now hold in honour,
Gaining his guerdon this day came to enter
Heaven's high portal.

2 God-fearing, watchful, pure of mind and body,
Holy and humble, thus did all men find him;
While, through his members, to the life immortal
Mortal life called him.

3 Thus to the weary, from the life enshrinèd,
Potent in virtue, flowed humane compassion;
Sick and sore laden, howsoever burdened,
There they found healing.

4 So now in chorus, giving GOD the glory,
Raise we our anthem gladly to his honour,
That in fair kinship we may all be sharers
Here and hereafter.

5 Honour and glory, power and salvation,
Be in the highest unto him who reigneth
Changeless in heaven over earthly changes,
Triune, eternal. Amen.

V. The LORD loved him and beautified him with comely garments. *R.* He arrayed him with a robe of glory. *Ant.* Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy LORD.

HOLY WOMEN

35 *Tr.* (1861) *from the Latin of Silvio Antoniano* (*b.* 1540) *by Editors of Hymns A. & M.*

Fortem, virili pectore.

HOW blest the Virgin* who, endued
With holy zeal and fortitude,
Hath won through grace a saintly fame,
And owns a dear and honoured name.

2 Such holy zeal inflamed her breast,
She would not seek on earth her rest,
But, strong in faith and patience, trod
The narrow way that leads to GOD.

3 The world's delusive joys she spurned,
From all its false allurements turned;
And therefore with angelic bands
In heavenly joy forever stands.

4 All laud to GOD the FATHER be,
All praise, eternal SON, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To GOD the holy PARACLETE. Amen.

V. Hearken, O daughter, and consider; incline thine ear. *R.* Forget also thine own people, and thy father's house. *Ant.* The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a merchantman seeking goodly pearls; who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

FEAST OF DEDICATION

36 BLESSÈD city, heavenly Salem, No. 347.

V. Thy testimonies, O LORD, are very sure. *R.* Holiness becometh thine house for ever. *Ant.* Behold the tabernacle of GOD is with men, and the SPIRIT of GOD dwelleth within you: for the temple of GOD is holy, which temple ye are.

* *or* Matron.

HOLY COMMUNION

37

NOW, my tongue, the mystery telling, No. 234.

V. Thou gavest them bread from heaven. *R.* Containing in itself all sweetness. *Ant.* O Sacred Banquet, wherein CHRIST is received, the memory of his Passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given unto us.

38

THE heavenly WORD proceeding forth, No. 237.

VERSICLE, RESPONSE, and ANTHEM as at A.O.H. 37.

39 (SEQUENCE)

DAY of wrath! O day of mourning! See No. 70.

40 *Tr. from the Latin* (10*th cent.*) *by Rev. E. Caswall*, 1849; *Bishop R. Mant*, 1837; *and R. Campbell*, 1850.

Veni, Creator Spiritus.

COME, HOLY GHOST, Creator blest,
Vouchsafe within our souls to rest;
Come with thy grace and heavenly aid,
And fill the hearts which thou hast made.

2 To thee, the Comforter, we cry,
To thee, the Gift of GOD most high,
The Fount of life, the Fire of love,
The soul's Anointing from above.

3 O Finger of the hand divine,
The sevenfold gifts of grace are thine;
True promise of the FATHER thou,
Who dost the tongue with power endow.

4 Thy light to every sense impart,
And shed thy love in every heart;
Thine own unfailing might supply
To strengthen our infirmity.

5 Drive far away our ghostly foe,
And thine abiding peace bestow;
If thou be our preventing Guide,
No evil can our steps betide.

6 Praise we the FATHER, and the SON,
And Holy SPIRIT with them ONE:
And may the SON on us bestow
The gifts that from the SPIRIT flow. Amen.

V. When thou lettest thy breath go forth, they shall be made. *R.* And thou shalt renew the face of the earth, Alleluia. *Ant.* Come, thou HOLY SPIRIT, fill the hearts of thy faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of thy love: who, through the diversity of many languages, didst gather the Gentiles into the unity of the faith, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

CHANT APPENDIX

NOTES ON THE POINTING

THE rules for chanting are the rules for good speaking. It should be observed that certain words and syllables receive a stress while others are passed over evenly but without stress. Whenever possible it is at the stress that the harmony of the chant changes.

There is no preliminary accent, for the recitation continues up to the first bar-line, and without halt passes easily into the moving part of the chant.

The bars are not bars of strict time-value, but are convenient divisions of the chant. Whereas in the old method the words were distorted and made to fit into the fixed time-value of the chant, in this new method the notes of the chant have no fixed time-value, but may be shortened or lengthened to suit the rhythm of the words when enunciated at a deliberate rate. Two or three syllables occurring on one note are not to be hurried, but the note is to be lengthened in order to carry them easily.

The familiar signs have been retained, and to these have been added others which appear in modern psalters.

1. Three kinds of bar-lines are used in the text:

(*a*) The whole bar-line (|) when the word that follows is to be stressed;

(*b*) the half bar-line (ˈ) when the word that follows is not to be stressed but passed over lightly;

(*c*) the half double bar-line (ˈˈ), instead of the colon, to denote that the entire verse should be sung as one phrase.

Example: To thee | Cherubin · and | Seraphin ˈˈ con- | tinual- ˈ ly do | cry.

2. A point under a word is a reminder that only a short reciting note is required, and that the syllable is to be sung lightly and quickly.

Example: in | glory ˈ ever- | lasting.

3. A point between words or syllables shows their grouping within the bar, wherever there might be any uncertainty. What goes before the point is sung to the first chord, and what follows to the second. The point does not necessarily divide the bar into equal time-values.

Example: and the | strength of · the | hills is · his | also.

4. An asterisk marks the place where breath should be taken. Only those commas have been retained which are required to preserve the sense of the words. Breath should not be taken at a comma, nor should any stop be

made, but only a slight dwelling upon the preceding word as in good reading.

NOTE.—Two versions of the Te Deum are printed, one as hitherto used and the other in which certain verses have been combined.

A change has been made in the last verse of the Magnificat, that it may be more conveniently sung to a double chant.

GLORIA PATRI

(*a*)

GLORY | be · to the | FATHER : and to the SON, | and · to the | HOLY | GHOST;

As it | was in · the be- | ginning : is now and ever shall be | world with · out | end. A- | men.

or (*b*)

GLORY be to the FATHER, and ' to the | SON : and ' to the | HOLY | GHOST;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever | shall be : world without | end. | A- | men.

THE RESPONSES

THE SENTENCES, EXHORTATION, GENERAL CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION, and LORD'S PRAYER, including AMENS, should be said without note, in the natural voice, or on a low note.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful FATHER, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us: But thou, O LORD, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O GOD, which confess their

faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in CHRIST JESU our LORD: And grant, O most merciful FATHER, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

OUR FATHER who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Priest. O LORD, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O GOD, make speed to save us.

Answer. O LORD, make haste to help us.

Priest. Glory be to the FATHER, and to the SON, and to the HOLY GHOST;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Priest. Praise ye the LORD.

Answer. The LORD's Name be praised.

The Apostles' Creed. *Priest and People.*

I BELIEVE in GOD the FATHER Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in JESUS CHRIST his only SON our LORD, Who was conceived by the HOLY GHOST, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of GOD the FATHER Almighty;

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the HOLY GHOST; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Priest. The LORD be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.
Priest. Let us pray.
Priest. LORD, have mercy upon us.
Answer. CHRIST, have mercy upon us.
Priest. LORD, have mercy upon us.

Priest and People.

OUR FATHER, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest. O LORD, shew thy mercy upon us.
Answer. And grant us thy salvation.
Priest. O LORD, save the King.
Answer. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Priest. Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.
Priest. O LORD, save thy people.
Answer. And bless thine inheritance.
Priest. Give peace in our time, O LORD.
Answer. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O GOD.
Priest. O GOD, make clean our hearts within us.
Answer. And take not thy HOLY SPIRIT from us.

MORNING PRAYER

VENITE

O COME let us | sing unto · the | LORD : let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal- | vation.

2 Let us come before his | presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves | glad in ' him with | psalms.

3 For the LORD is a | great | GOD : and a great | King a- | bove all | gods.

4 In his hands are all the | corners · of the | earth : and the | strength of · the | hills is · his | also.

5 The sea is | his and · he | made it : and his | hands pre- | par'd the · dry | land.

6 O come let us worship and | fall | down : and kneel be- ' fore the | LORD our | Maker.

7 For he is the | LORD our | GOD : and we are the people of his pasture, ' and the | sheep of · his | hand.

8 To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden ' not your | hearts : as in the provocation * and as in the day of temp- | tation ' in the | wilderness;

9 When your | fathers | tempted me : proved ' me and | saw my | works.

10 Forty years long was I grieved with this gene- | ration and | said : It is a people that do err in their hearts * for they | have not | known my | ways;

11 Unto whom I | sware · in my | wrath : that they should not | enter | into my | rest.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

TE DEUM LAUDAMUS

WE praise | thee O | GOD : we acknowledge | thee to ' be the | LORD.

2 All the earth doth | worship | thee : the | FATHER ' ever- | lasting.

3 To thee all Angels | cry a- | loud : the heavens and | all the | Powers there- | in.

4 To thee Cherubin and | Sera- ˈ phin : cọn- | tinual- ˈ ly do | cry,

5 Holy | Holy | Holy : LORD | GOD of | Saba- ˈ oth;

6 Heaven and earth are full of the | Majes- ˈ ty : ọf | thy | glo- | ry.

7 The glorious company ˈ of · the A- | postles : praise | — | — | thee.

8 The goodly fellowship ˈ of the | Prophets : praise | — | — | thee.

Second Part.

9 The noble | army · of | Martyrs : praise | — | — | thee.

10 The holy Church throughout | all the | world : doth ac- | know- ˈ ledge | thee;

11 Thẹ | FA- ˈ THER : of an | infi- · nite | Majes- | ty;

12 Thine honour- ˈ able | true : ạnd | on- | — ly | SON;

13 Also the | HOLY | GHOST : thẹ | Com- ˈ for- | ter.

14 Thou art the | King of | Glory : O | — | — | CHRIST.

15 Thou art the ever- | lasting | SON : ọf | — the | FA- | THER.

16 When thou tookest upon thee to de- | liver | man : thou didst not ab- | hor the | Virgin's | womb.

17 When thou hadst overcome the | sharpness of | death : thou didst open the kingdom of | heaven to | all be- | lievers.

18 Thou sittest at the right | hand of | GOD : in the | glory ˈ of the | FATHER.

19 We believe that | thou shalt | come : tọ | be | our | Judge.

20 We therefore pray thee | help thy | servants : whom thou hast redeemed ' with thy | precious | blood.

21 Make them to be numbered ' with thy | Saints : in | glory ' ever- | lasting.

22 O LORD | save thy | people : and | bless thine | heri- | tage.

23 Go- ' —vern | them : and | lift them | up for | ever.

24 Day ' by | day : we | magni- ' fy | thee;

25 And we | worship · thy | Name : ever | world with- ' out | end.

26 Vouch- ' safe O | LORD : to keep us this | day with- ' out | sin.

27 O LORD have | mercy · up- | on us : have | mer- ' cy up- | on us.

28 O LORD let thy mercy | lighten up- | on us : as our | trust ' is in | thee.

29 O LORD in | thee · have I | trusted : let me | never ' be con- | founded.

A different arrangement of the verses follows.

WE praise | thee O | GOD : we acknowledge | thee to ' be the | LORD.

2 All the | earth doth | worship thee : the | FATHER ' ever- | lasting.

3 To thee all Angels | cry a- | loud : the heavens and | all the | Powers there- | in.

4 To thee | Cherubin · and | Seraphin '' con- | tinual- ' ly do | cry,

5 Holy | Holy | Holy : LORD | GOD of | Saba- ' oth;

6 Heaven and | earth are | full '' of the | Majes- · ty ' of thy | glory.

7 The glorious company of the A- | postles | praise thee : the goodly fellowship ' of the | Prophets | praise thee.

8 The noble army of | Martyrs | praise thee : the holy Church throughout all the world ˈ doth ac- | knowledge | thee;

Second Part.

9 The FATHER, of an | infin- · ite | Majesty : thine honourable true and only SON * also the | HOLY | GHOST the | Comforter.

10 Thou art the King of | glory O | CHRIST : thou art the ever- | lasting | SON of · the | FATHER.

11 When thou tookest upon thee to de- | liver | man : thou didst not ab- | hor the | Virgin's | womb.

12 When thou hadst overcome the | sharpness of | death : thou didst open the kingdom of | heaven to | all be- | lievers.

13 Thou sittest at the right hand of GOD ; in the | glory · of the | FATHER : we believe that thou shalt | come to ˈ be our | Judge;

14 We therefore pray thee | help thy | servants : whom thou hast redeemed ˈ with thy | precious | blood.

15 Make them to be numbered ˈ with thy | Saints : in | glory ˈ ever- | lasting.

16 O LORD save thy people and | bless thine | heritage : govern them and | lift them | up for | ever.

17 Day by day we | magni- · fy | thee : and we worship thy Name, | ever | world with- · out | end.

18 Vouchsafe O LORD to keep us this | day with- · out | sin : O LORD have mercy up- | on us · have | mercy up- | on us.

19 O LORD, let thy mercy lighten upon us * as our | trust is · in | thee : O LORD, in thee have I trusted * let me | never ˈ be con- | founded.

BENEDICITE, OMNIA OPERA

O ALL ye Works of the LORD, | bless ye the | LORD; || 2 O ye Angels of the LORD, | bless ye the | LORD; || 3 O ye Heavens, | bless ye the | LORD, || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

4 O ye Waters that be above the Firmament, | bless ye the | LORD; || 5 O all ye Powers of the LORD, | bless ye the | LORD; || 6 O ye Sun and Moon, | bless ye the | LORD, || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

7 O ye Stars of Heaven, | bless ye the | LORD; || 8 O ye Showers and Dew, | bless ye the | LORD; || 9 O ye Winds of GOD, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

10 O ye Fire and Heat, | bless ye the | LORD; || 11 O ye Winter and Summer, | bless ye the | LORD; || 12 O ye Dews and Frosts, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

13 O ye Frost and Cold, | bless ye the | LORD; || 14 O ye Ice and Snow, | bless ye the | LORD; || 15 O ye Nights and Days, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

16 O ye Light and Darkness, | bless ye the | LORD; || 17 O ye Lightnings and Clouds, | bless ye the | LORD; || 18 O let the Earth | bless the | LORD; || yea, ‿let‿it‿praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

19 O ye Mountains and Hills, | bless ye the | LORD; || 20 O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, | bless ye the | LORD; || 21 O ye Wells, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

22 O ye Seas and Floods, | bless ye the | LORD; || 23 O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, | bless ye the | LORD; || 24 O all ye Fowls of the Air, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

Second Part.

25 O all ye Beasts and Cattle, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

26 O ye Children of Men, | bless ye the | LORD; || 27 O let Israel | bless the | LORD; || 28 O ye Priests of the LORD, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

29 O ye Servants of the LORD, | bless ye the | LORD; || 30 O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, | bless ye the | LORD; || 31 O ye holy and humble Men of heart, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

Second Part.

32 O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, | bless ye the | LORD; || praise him and | magnify | him for | ever.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

A different arrangement of the verses follows:

O ALL ye Works of the LORD, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Angels of the LORD, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Heavens, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Waters that be above the Firmament, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Powers of the LORD, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Sun and Moon, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Stars of Heaven, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Showers and Dew, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winds of GOD, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Fire and Heat, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Winter and Summer, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Dews and Frosts, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Frost and Cold, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Ice and Snow, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Nights and Days, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Light and Darkness, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Lightnings and Clouds, bless ye the LORD: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let the Earth bless the LORD : yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Mountains and Hills, bless ye the LORD:
O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Wells, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Seas and Floods, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, bless ye the LORD:
O all ye Fowls of the Air, bless ye the LORD:
O all ye Beasts and Cattle, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Children of Men, bless ye the LORD:
O let Israel bless the LORD:
O ye Priests of the LORD, bless ye the LORD: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Servants of the LORD, bless ye the LORD:
O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, bless ye the LORD:
O ye holy and humble Men of heart, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the LORD : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

BENEDICTUS

BLESSED be the LORD | GOD of | Israel : for he hath visited ' and re- | deemed · his | people;

2 And hath raised up a mighty sal- | vation ' for us : in the | house of · his | servant | David;

3 As he spake by the mouth of his | holy | Prophets : which have been ' since the | world be- | gan;

4 That we should be | saved from · our | enemies: and from the | hands of | all that | hate us;

5 To perform the mercy promised ' to our | forefathers : and to re- | member · his | holy | covenant;

6 To perform the oath which he sware to our | fore- · father | Abraham : that ' he would | give | us;

7 That we being delivered out of the | hands of · our | enemies : might | serve him · with- ' out | fear;

8 In holiness and | righteousness · be- | fore him : all the | days of ' our | life.

9 And thou child, shalt be called the | Prophet · of the | Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the | LORD · to pre- | pare his | ways;

10 To give knowledge of salvation ' unto · his | people : for the re- | mission ' of their | sins;

11 Through the tender mercy ' of our | GOD : whereby the day-spring from on | high hath | visit- · ed | us;

12 To give light to them that sit in darkness * and in the | shadow · of | death : and to guide our feet ' into · the | way of | peace.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

JUBILATE DEO

O BE joyful in the LORD | all ye | lands : serve the LORD with gladness * and come before his | presence ˡ with a | song.

2 Be ye sure that the | LORD · he is | GOD : it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves * we are his people, ˡ and the | sheep of · his | pasture.

3 O go your way into his gates with thanks-giving * and into his | courts with | praise : be thank-ful unto him, ˡ and speak | good of · his | Name.

4 For the LORD is gracious * his mercy is | ever- | lasting : and his truth endureth from gene- | ration · to | gene- | ration.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

THE FERIAL LITANY (1544)

For the Litany see the Book of Common Prayer, p. 39.

EVENING PRAYER

MAGNIFICAT

MY soul doth | magnify · the | LORD : and my spirit hath re- | joiced · in | GOD my | SAVIOUR.

2 For | he hath · re- | garded : the | lowli-ness of his | hand-maiden.

3 For be- | hold from | henceforth : all gene- | rations · shall | call me | blessèd.

4 For he that is mighty hath | magni- · fied | me : and | holy ˡ is his | Name.

5 And his mercy is on | them that | fear him : throughout | all ˡ gene- | rations.

6 He hath shewed | strength · with his | arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagi- | nation ˡ of their | hearts.

7 He hath put down the mighty ˈ from their | seat : and hath ex- | alted · the | humble · and | meek.

8 He hath filled the | hungry · with | good things: and the rich he ˈ hath sent | empty · a- | way.

9 He re- | memb'ring · his | mercy : hạth | holpen · his | servant | Israel;

10 As he promised ˈ to our | forefathers : Abraham ˈ and his | seed for | ever.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

CANTATE DOMINO

O SING unto the LORD a | new | song : fọr | he hath · done | mar- · vellous | things.

2 With his own right hand and with his | holy | arm : hath he | gotten · him- | self the | victory.

3 The LORD declared ˈ his sal- | vation : his righteousness hath he openly | shew'd · in the | sight of · the | heathen.

4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the | house of | Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the sal- | vation ˈ of our | GOD.

5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the LORD | all ye | lands : sing, re- | joice and ˈ give | thanks.

6 Praise the LORD up- ˈ on the | harp : sing to the | harp · with a | psalm of | thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets | also · and | shawms : O shew yourselves joyful be- ˈ fore the | LORD the | King.

8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that | therein | is : the round world, and | they that | dwell there- | in.

9 Let the floods clap their hands * and let the hills be joyful together be- ˈ fore the | LORD : fọr he | cometh · to | judge the | earth.

10 With righteousness shall he | judge the | world : ạnd the | people ˈ with | equity.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

NUNC DIMITTIS

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant de- | part in | peace : ac- | cording ˈ to thy | word.

2 For mine eyes have | seen thy · sal- | vation : which thou hast prepared be- ˈ fore the | face of · all | people,

3 To be a light to | lighten · the | Gentiles : and to be the | glory of · thy | people | Israel.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

DEUS MISEREATUR

GOD be merciful unto ˈ us and | bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance * and be | merci- · ful ˈ unto | us:

2 That thy way may be | known up- · on | earth : thy saving | health a- ˈ mong all | nations.

3 Let the people | praise thee · O | GOD : yea let | all the | people | praise thee.

4 O let the nations re- | joice · and be | glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously * and govern the | nations up- ˈ on | earth.

5 Let the people | praise thee · O | GOD : yea let | all the | people | praise thee.

6 Then shall the earth bring ˈ forth her | increase : and GOD, even our own | GOD, shall | give us · his | blessing.

Second Part.

7 GOD ˈ shall | bless us : and all the | ends of · the | world shall | fear him.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

CHRISTMAS ANTHEMS

BEHOLD a virgin shall conceive and | bear a | son : and shall | call his | name Im- | manuel.

2 Unto us a | child is | born : unto | us a | son is | given.

3 In this was manifested the love of | GOD · toward | us : because that GOD sent his only begotten SON into the world * that | we might | live through | him.

4 Blessed be the GOD and FATHER of our LORD | JESUS | CHRIST : who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in | heaven- · ly | places · in | CHRIST.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

GOOD FRIDAY ANTHEMS

BEHOLD the | Lamb of | GOD : which taketh a- | way the | sins of · the | world.

2 He was wounded for | our trans- | gressions : he was | bruised · for | our in- | iquities;

3 The chastisement of our | peace · was up- | on him : and ˡ with his | stripes · we are | healed.

4 Herein is love * not that we loved GOD but that | he · loved | us : and sent his SON to be the propiti- | ation ˡ for our | sins.

5 Worthy is the Lamb that was slain * to receive power and riches and | wisdom · and | strength : and | honour · and | glory · and | blessing.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

EASTER ANTHEMS

CHRIST our passover is | sacri- · ficed ˡ for us : therefore | let us | keep the | feast;

2 Not with the old leaven * nor with the leaven of | malice and | wickedness : but with the unleaven'd bread of sin- | ceri- ˡ ty and | truth.

3 CHRIST being raised from the dead | dieth no | more : death hath no | more do- | minion | over him.

4 For in that he died, he died unto | sin | once : but in that he liveth he | liveth ˡ unto | GOD.

5 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead in- ' deed unto | sin : but alive unto God through | JESUS | CHRIST our | LORD.

6 CHRIST is | risen · from the | dead : and become the | first-fruits · of | them that | slept.

7 For since by | man came | death : by man came also the resur- | rection ' of the | dead.

8 For as in | Adam all | die : even so in CHRIST shall | all be | made a- | live.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

ASCENSION DAY ANTHEMS

LIFT up your heads O ye gates * and be ye lift up ye ever- | lasting | doors : and the King of | glory | shall come | in.

2 Who is the | King of | glory : even the LORD of hosts | he · is the | King of | glory.

3 Thou art gone up on high * thou hast led cap- | tivi- · ty | captive : and re- | ceived | gifts for | men.

4 Wherefore he is able also to save them ' to the | uttermost : that | come un- · to | GOD by | him;

5 Seeing he | ever | liveth : to | make · inter- | cession | for them.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

WHITSUNDAY ANTHEMS

O SING unto the LORD a | new | song : for | he hath · done | mar- · vellous | things.

2 CHRIST being by the right hand of GOD exalted * and having received of the FATHER the promise of the | HOLY | GHOST : hath shed forth this which ' ye now | see and | hear.

3 And because | ye are | sons : GOD hath sent forth the SPIRIT of his SON into your hearts ' crying | Abba | FATHER.

4 We all with | open | face : beholding as in a glass the | glory ˈ of the | LORD,

5 Are changed into the same image from | glory · to | glory : even as by the | SPIRIT ˈ of the | LORD.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

THE BEATITUDES

ST. MATTHEW v. 3–10.

BLESSED are the | poor in | spirit : for | theirs · is the | kingdom · of | heaven.

2 Blessed are | they that | mourn : for | they ˈ shall be | comforted.

3 Blessed ˈ are the | meek : for | they · shall in- | herit · the | earth.

4 Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst ˈ after | righteousness : for | they ˈ shall be | filled.

5 Blessed ˈ are the | merciful : for | they · shall ob- | tain | mercy.

6 Blessed are the | pure in | heart : for | they shall | see | God.

7 Blessed ˈ are the | peacemakers : for they shall be | called the | children · of | God.

8 Blessed are they which are persecuted for | righteous- · ness | sake : for | theirs · is the | kingdom · of | heaven.

SALVATOR MUNDI

O SAVIOUR of the world * who by thy Cross and precious blood ˈ hast re- | deemed us : save us and help us we | humbly · be- | seech thee · O | LORD.

2 Thou didst save thy disciples when | ready to | perish : hear us and | save us · we | humbly · be- | seech thee.

3 Let the pitifulness of ˈ thy great | mercy : loose us from our | sins we | humbly · be- | seech thee.

4 Make it appear that thou art our SAVIOUR and | mighty · De- | liverer : O save us that we may | praise thee · we | humbly · be- | seech thee.

5 Draw near according to thy promise from the | throne of · thy | glory : look down and hear our | crying · we | humbly · be- | seech thee.

6 Come again and dwell with us, O | LORD CHRIST | JESUS : abide with us for | ever · we | humbly · be- | seech thee.

7 And when thou shalt appear with | power and · great | glory : may we be made like unto thee, ˈ in thy | glorious | Kingdom.

8 Thanks be to | thee O | LORD : alle- | luia. | A- | men.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

FOR MISSIONS

Cantate Domino

PSALM XCVI.

O SING unto the LORD a | new | song : sing unto the LORD | all the | whole | earth.

2 Sing unto the LORD and | praise his | Name : be telling of his sal- | vation · from | day to | day.

3 Declare his honour ˈ unto the | heathen : and his wonders ˈ unto | all | people.

4 For the LORD is great, and cannot | worthily · be | praised : he is more to be | feared · than | all | gods.

5 As for all the gods of the heathen | they are · but | idols : but it is the | LORD that | made the | heavens.

6 Glory and | worship · are be- | fore him : power and | honour · are ˈ in his | sanctuary.

7 Ascribe unto the LORD O ye | kindreds · of the | people : ascribe unto the | LORD | worship · and | power.

8 Ascribe unto the LORD the honour due ˈ unto his | Name : bring presents, ˈ and come | into his | courts.

9 O worship the LORD in the | beauty of | holiness : let the whole earth ˈ stand in | awe of | him.

10 Tell it out among the heathen that the | LORD is | King : and that it is he that hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved * and how that he shall | judge the | people | righteously.

11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the | earth be | glad : let the sea make a noise, and | all that | therein | is.

12 Let the field be joyful, and | all that · is | in it : then shall all the trees of the wood re- | joice be- ˈ fore the | LORD.

Second Part.

13 For he cometh, for he cometh to | judge the | earth : and with righteousness to judge the world, and the | people ˈ with his | truth.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

Cantate Domino

ISAIAH xlii. 10, 11, 12.

SING unto the LORD a | new | song : and his | praise · from the | end of · the | earth.

2 Ye that go down to the sea * and all that ˈ is there- | in : the isles, and the in- | habi- ˈ tants there- | of.

3 Let the wilderness and the cities thereof | lift up · their | voice : the villages that | Kedar ˈ doth in- | habit.

4 Let the inhabitants of the | rock | sing : let them | shout · from the | top of · the | mountains.

5 Let them give glory | unto · the | LORD : and de- | clare his | praise · in the | islands.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

Surge Illuminator

ISAIAH lx. 1–3, 11, 14, 18, 19.

ARISE, shine; for thy | light is | come : and the glory of the LORD is | risen · up- | on thee.

2 For behold, the darkness shall | cover · the | earth : and gross | darkness · the | people.

3 But the LORD shall a- | rise up- | on thee : and his glory shall be | seen up- | on thee.

4 And the Gentiles shall | come to · thy | light : and kings to the | brightness · of thy | rising.

5 Thy gates shall be | open · con- | tinually : they shall not be shut | day nor | night.

6 The sons also of | them that · af- | flicted thee : shall come bending ¹ unto | thee.

7 And all | they that · des- | pised thee : shall bow themselves down at the | soles of · thy | feet.

8 And they shall call thee the | city · of the | LORD : the Zion of the | Holy One · of | Israel.

9 Violence shall no more be | heard in · thy | land : wasting nor destruction with- ¹ in thy | borders.

10 But thou shalt call thy | walls sal- | vation : and thy | gates | praise.

11 The sun shall be no more thy | light by | day : neither for brightness shall the moon give | light un- · to | thee.

12 But the LORD shall be unto thee an ever- | lasting | light : and thy | GOD thy | glory.

Glory be to the FATHER, and ¹ to the | SON : and to the | HOLY | GHOST.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever | shall be : world without end. | A- | men.

THE SOULS OF THE RIGHTEOUS

WISDOM (A.V.) iii. 1–6, 9; v. 15, 16.

THE souls of the righteous are in the | hand of | GOD : and ˈ there shall · no | torment | touch them.

2 In the sight of the unwise they | seemed · to | die : and their de- | parture · is | taken · for | misery,

3 And their going from us to be | utter · de- | struction : but ˈ they ˈ are in | peace.

4 For though they be punished in the | sight of | men : yet is their hope | full of ˈ immor- | tality.

5 And having been a little chastised, they shall be | greatly · re- | warded : for GOD proved them and found them | worthy ˈ for him- | self.

6 As gold in the furnace ˈ hath he | tried them : and re- | ceived · them ˈ as a · burnt- | offering.

7 They that put their trust in him shall under- ˈ stand the | truth : and such as be faithful in love ˈ shall a- | bide with | him.

8 The righteous live for | ever- | more : their reward | also is ˈ with the | LORD;

9 And the care of them is ˈ with the · most | High : therefore shall they receive a glorious kingdom * and a beautiful crown ˈ from the | LORD's | hand.

10 For with his right hand | shall he | cover them : and with his | arm shall | he pro- | tect them.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

THE PRAISE OF THE FATHERS

ECCLESIASTICUS (A.V.) xliv. 1–15.

LET us now praise | famous | men : and our | fathers ˈ that be- | gat us.

2 The LORD hath wrought great | glory | by them: through his great | power ˈ from the · be- | ginning.

3 Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms * men re- | nowned for · their | power : giving counsel by their understanding, ' and de- | claring | prophecies.

4 Leaders of the people by their counsels * and by their knowledge of learning | meet for · the | people : wise and | elo- · quent ' in their · in- | structions.

5 Such as found out | musical | tunes : and re- | cited | verses · in | writing.

6 Rich men furnished ' with a- | bility : living peaceably ' in their | habi- | tations.

7 All these were honoured in their | gene- | rations : and were the | glory ' of their | times.

8 There be of them that have left a | name be- | hind them : that their | praises · might ' be re- | ported.

9 And some there be which have | no me- | morial : who are perished as | though they · had | never | been.

10 And are become as though they had | never · been | born : and their | children | after | them.

11 But these were | merci- · ful | men : whose righteousness | hath not ' been for- | gotten.

12 With their seed shall continually remain a | good in- | heritance : and their children ' are with- ' in the | covenant.

13 Their seed | standeth | fast : and their | children ' for their | sakes.

14 Their seed shall re- | main for | ever : and their glory shall | not be | blotted | out.

15 Their bodies are | buried in | peace : but their name | liveth · for | ever- | more.

16 The people will | tell of · their | wisdom : and the congre- | gation · will | shew forth · their | praise.

Glory be to the FATHER, &c.

KYRIE

LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

After the 10*th*:—LORD, have mercy upon us, and write *all* these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

After our Blessed Lord's Summary of the law, sing '*both* these thy laws'.

GLORIA TIBI

Before the Gospel.

Glory be to thee, O LORD.

After the Gospel.

Thanks be to thee, O LORD.

NICENE CREED

I BELÍEVE in óne Gód the FATHER Almighty, Máker of héaven and éarth, And of áll thíngs vísible, and invísible.

And in óne LÓRD JÉSUS CHRÍST, the only-begótten SÓN of GÓD, Begótten of his FÁTHER befóre all wórlds, GÓD of GÓD, Líght of Líght, Véry GÓD of véry GÓD, Begótten, not máde, Béing of one súbstance with the FÁTHER; By whóm all thíngs were máde. Who for ús mén, and for óur salvátion, came dówn from héaven, And was incárnate by the HÓLY GHÓST of the Vírgin Máry: And was máde mán. And was crúcified álso for us: under Póntius Pílate. He suffered, and was búried. And the thírd dáy he róse agáin, accórding to the Scríptures, And ascénded into héaven: And sítteth on the ríght hánd of the FÁTHER. And hé shall cóme agáin with glóry, to júdge both the quíck and the déad: Whose kíngdom shall háve no énd.

And I belíeve in the HÓLY GHÓST, The LÓRD, and Gíver of life: Who procéedeth from the FÁTHER and the SÓN. Who with the FÁTHER and the SÓN togéther is wórshipped and glórified: Who spáke by the Próphets. And I belíeve one Cátholick and Apostólick Chúrch. I acknówledge one Báptism for the remíssion of sins. And I lóok for the Resurréction of the déad, And the lífe of the wórld to cóme. Amen.

SURSUM CORDA

Priest. Lift up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up unto the LORD.

Priest. Let us give thanks unto our LORD GOD.

Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

SANCTUS

HOLY, holy, holy, LORD GOD of hosts, heav'n and earth are full of thy glory : Glory be to thee, O LORD most High. Amen.

BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT

BLESSED is he that cometh in the Name of the LORD. Hosanna in the highest.

AGNUS DEI

O LAMB of GOD, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of GOD, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of GOD, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

GLORY be to | GOD on | high : and in earth | peace, good | will towards | men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we | worship | thee : we glorify thee, we give thanks to | thee for | thy great | glory,

O LORD GOD, | heavenly | King : GOD the | FATHER | Al- | mighty.

O LORD, the only begotten SON | JESU | CHRIST : O LORD GOD, Lamb of GOD, | Son | of the | FATHER,

That takest away the | sins · of the | world : have | mercy · up- | on us.

Thou that takest away the | sins · of the | world : have | mercy · up- | on us.

Thou that takest away the | sins · of the | world : re- | ceive our | prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of | GOD the | FATHER : have | mercy up- | on us.

For thou | only · art | holy : thou | only | art the | LORD.

Thou only O CHRIST with the | HOLY | GHOST : art most high in the | glory · of | GOD the | FATHER. Amen.

AT THE PRESENTATION OF THE ALMS

All things come of thee, O LORD; and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

or

All things are thine: no gift have we,
LORD of all gifts, to offer thee,
And hence with grateful hearts to-day,
Thine own before thy feet we lay.

Hymn 570, verse 1, 'Holy offerings, rich and rare'.

BURIAL SENTENCES

I AM the resurrection and the life, saith the LORD: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. *St. John* xi. 25, 26.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. *Job* xix. 25.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the LORD. 1 *Tim.* vi. 7. *Job* i. 21.

MAN that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down, like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one stay.

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O LORD, who for our sins art justly displeased?

Yet, O LORD GOD most holy, O LORD most mighty, O holy and most merciful SAVIOUR, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

Thou knowest, LORD, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears to our prayer; but spare us, LORD most holy, O GOD most mighty, O holy and merciful SAVIOUR, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death to fall from thee.

I HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the LORD : even so saith the SPIRIT; for they rest from their labours.

LIST OF HYMNS FOR SERVICES

These hymn lists have been compiled from the lists given in the 1908 edition and other Hymnals.

The hymns in the first two columns are chosen for Morning Prayer. These are followed by hymns suitable for the Communion or, if the Communion Hymn is left out, for the devotions and sermon which follow Morning Prayer. The hymns in the column marked Season are specially suitable at the beginning of the Communion Service, but hymns in the first two columns may also be found suitable. Where (on the analogy of the canticle at Mattins and Evensong) a hymn is sung between the Epistle and Gospel, the hymn marked Praise (Sequence) may be used. Other columns provide hymns for Missionary Work and for Christian Service, for the Young, and for Evangelistic services. Sufficient hymns are given for the Sundays to provide for services during the week. In many cases the hymns provided for the Morning are equally suitable in the Evening and vice versa. The object of the lists is to provide hymns bearing on the teaching of each Sunday and Holy Day, to use as many of the Hymns in the Book as possible, and to provide on each day hymns of varied character.

In some cases certain verses are specially appropriate and others can be omitted. The hymns for Holy Days are often suitable for the following Sunday.

Ancient Office Hymn numbers are shown in italics.

† (p. 783). If more variety is desired in the Office Hymns for the Trinity season, it is suggested that the following may be used. Morning: 12, A.O.H. 1, 2, 3, 4. Evening: A.O.H. 6, 7, 8, 9. In June: A.O.H. 25, 37, 38. In July: A.O.H. 40, Hymn 249. In August: A.O.H. 28, 29. In September: A.O.H. 17, 18. In October: A.O.H. 30, 36. In November: A.O.H. 31, 39.

	MORNING							EVENING										
	Opening	*General*	*Of the Season*	*Praise (Sequence)*	*Offertory*	*Communion*	*Closing*	*Opening*	*General*	*Of the Season*	*Praise*	*At the Collection*	*Closing*	*Office Hymn*	*For the Young*	*Missions and Service*	*Evangelistic Hymn*	*Anthem**
Advent I	423	11	65	60	64	74	411	520	379	59	392	659	16	*10*	701	282	761	387
	1					230						292			419	328		271
„ II	5	72	498	61	387	231	440	69	66	495	629	68	626	*10*	498	277	530	196
			495		497	800				496			18		714	651		329
„ III	321	265	67	392	229	237	287	458	263	63	62	630	624	*10*	724	656	657	335
				396	196								23	67	684	293		269
Ember Days	63	257	263	397	265	221	266	267	62	264	286	284	811d	*10*	703	283	799	487
		532				241				67					270	288		
Advent IV	548	73	264	280	362	235	416	125	388	62	527	335	811a	*10*	634	653	794	332
				359					321					62	723	294	409	70
Christmas Eve	330	361	319	79	82	238	653	82	740	736	735	750	734	*10*	739	319	751	747
						229			*18*			691						691
Christmas	75	77	78	79	82	81	744	741	80	738	359	319	734	*11*	733	319	807	743
		742		76		237			736	740				79	737			745
St. Stephen	552	649	83	218	404	75	177	80	415	619	79	631	610	*12*	746	274	776	746
St. John	5	84	378	185	93	219	415	462	213	214	81	497	40	*32*	639	284	510	210
													44					
Innocents	697	685	85	79	731	249	738	75	620	706	807	691	623	*13*	24	281	779	205
Sunday after Christmas	494	78	80	750	691	235	733	75	81	747	385	383	87	*11*	731	684	366	749
					229	397			804	76		77		79		287		
New Year or Sunday after	653	626	89	384	471	755	406	379	612	355	79	505	546	*11*	732	271	753	804
						363							407	*29*	717			

Circumcision	86	383	491	492	475	357	428	429	490	527	526	691	493	*11*	722	289	771	751
					88	434								*29*				
Epiphany	97	287	94	352	98	240	424	378	284	95	75	356	44	*14*	731	278	755	748
			28					91					274		705			
First Sunday after	93	551	90	96	319	236	91	456	608	99	396	284	40	*14*	732	272	519	92
Epiphany							609	33					491		687	282		
Second after	465	601	340	280	388	493	407	376	*14*	300	96	573	41	*2*	703	299	572	475
Epiphany		408	298					321	283			354		*8* or *7*	641	624		
Third after	478	126	96	396	387	223	542	548	490	601	367	475	19	4	1	286	802	352
Epiphany	11	361				529	415	34		388				*8* or *9*	645	562		
Fourth after	378	186	785	359	598	240	448	508	426	521	352	563	454	12	512	324	510	356
Epiphany	474	284	512			pt. 2		462		507			36	*8* or *7*	426	565	572	
						243												
Fifth after	395	659	103	399	98	494	411	378	359	726	95	492	42	*8* or *9*	791	271	574	482
Epiphany								539							391	278		
Sixth after	656	656	552	100	570	234	566	617	379	383	350	434	18	*1*	647	335	675	403
Epiphany		64	402		628	pt. 2			425	68				*8*		266		383
						249												
Septuagesima	436	601	650	102	598	234	626	401	*6*	269	403	360	801	*8*	600	292	768	665
	47	549	55		602				101	602	385			101	721	650		
Sexagesima	473	657	422	384	536	252	656	440	404	103	588	513	355	*8*	712	278	774	402
	257	535	101				427	445	753		305	665	35	101	641	565		
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Quinquagesima	436	579	104	402	475	246	660	451	440	518	470	471	21	*8*	692	273	783	182
		539						483	752	472			28	101	720	649		
Ash Wednesday	107	116	121	596	115	241	125	119	450	534	377	123	546	*8*	110	639	757	108
			124							105				*15*	716		761	123
Lent I	106	662	534	401	405	231	589	118	448	110	402	64	578	*15*	558	293	664	115
			105		434		442		121		443		664	115		651		

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Ember Days	447	585	263	373	571	117	248	514	438	*4*	382	265	126	*15*	694	266	777	486
							448							*4*				
Lent II	440	544	264	594	115	584	589	125	578	300	543	757	453	*15*	569	553	474	132
	126	443	233			231			268	107			607					
Lent III	460	*11*	108	383	373	537	416	436	117	427	596	536	419	*16*	716	382	112	135
	118	450	554					116	530						697	274	502	
Lent IV	382	615	802	145	421	219	541	106	136	672	807	608	417	*16*	547	341	503	631
Mothering Sunday		121	609	393		222	539	467		340	350	429	463		634	343	762	
Lent V	119	109	137	588	580	241	540	122	474	380	594	139	664	*17*	545	318	579	142
Passion Sunday		140	128		627	142	114	123	586	120			590	18			765	139
Lent VI	51	136	130	492	596	494	592	445	115	131	130	443	21	*17*	694	580	470	335
Palm Sunday	127	357	129			518			587					18			766	518
Holy Week	123	141	115	138	108	147	433	533	802	522	137	658	437	*17*	692	279	767	144
			593						579			380	37	18			786	139
Maundy Thursday	803	222	588	225	246	227	234	472	132	234	596	383	595	*17*	639	274	798	649
		122			237	529								18			796	
Good Friday	125	522	108	145	129		128	141	625	152	593	108	667		545	281	500	664
		134	127	133	*18*, pt. 2		*17*		113	518							765	518
Holy Saturday	382	620	151	613	809		614	330	679	165	163	170	606			673	653	596
		511							515		352							

Easter Day	159	164 166	153	163	161	235 233	51	160	499 165	155	167 169	154	154 25		711	270	515	170
First Sunday after Easter	49	263 157	159 155	162	158	223 249	159, pt. 2	459	164	163	395 166	165	51 16	*19* 20	170	522	280	672
Second Sunday after Easter	2	169	539	398	160	224 240	619	547	490 673	515 672	400 353	393	424 159, pt. 3	*19* 20	639 698	657	799 764	754
Third Sunday after Easter	47	236 362	543 406	155	359	226 252	424	53	607	165 622	392 385	628	37 415	*19* 20	686	331	668	674
Fourth Sunday after Easter	484 477	364 377	164 167	606	481	236 397	566	479 478	489 531	168	391 165	354 487	592 18	*19* 20	725	791	612 335	676
Fifth Sunday after Easter	50	379	171	399	598	228 604	484	390 51	623 613	506	102	600	504	*19* 20	695 718	278	797 366	568 600
Rogation Days	378 13	659 506	386 103	372	172	230 219	248	429	438 443	171	360	562 374	39	*19* 20	721 604	280	365	665 602
Ascension Day	607	386	64 452	174	1 176	220 235	263	386	178 387	175	354	432 380	626	*23*	597 707		763	573
First Sunday after Ascension	459 175	389 178	590 173	235	397	241 221	620	663	392 357	359	367 173	177 74	625	*23*	690		578 572	
Whitsunday	486	472	182 180	481	598	231 246	181	478 479	480	179 489	182	483 487	484	*24* 477	718 704	273	783 485	182
Ember Days	552	181 576	263	481	561	232 221	267	479	421 268	269	362	482	624	*24* *4*	634	266	488	
Trinity Sunday	464 436	1 184	385 369	468 393	371 812	252 233	248 439	441 401	47 561	183 451	371 812	460 368	22	*25* *9*	697 728	292 284	648 774 759	812
First Sunday after Trinity	3	446	379	351	295	220 232	560	449	500	622	310	333	17	*8*† [*37*] *38*		275	756	364

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Second Sunday after Trinity	2(2)	582	566	358	296	224 474	564	336	517	599	327	430	20	*8* 12	689	652	758	655
Third	6	591	316	365	297	225 801	350	412	538	764	523	567	26	*8* 12	693	319	760	518
Fourth	7	611	332	370	569	227	510	420	491	186	553	329	27	*8* 12	699	276	769	405
Fifth	8	13	659	374	571	242	489	428	505	602	645	332	29	*8* 12	702	654	770	431
Sixth	9	377	565	375	567	239	501	524	504	298	353	111	30	*8* 12	708	321	772	432
Seventh	10	660	657	381	429	250	503	620	659	641	375	581	31	*8* 12	709	285	773	476
Eighth	13	419	721	389	598	539	520	366	629	598	429	634	32	*8* 12	710	655	775	488
Ninth	14	510	569	394	430	245	407	368	581	604	376	482	38	*8* 12	713	336	778	506
Tenth	364	803	600	325	557	244	406	372	526	669	600	488	39	*8* 12	715	290	780	508
Eleventh	723	594	516	524	583	238	410	373	437	661	588	435	45	*8* 12	719	658	781	557
Twelfth	48	618	599	523	528	232	413	414	615	65	585	502	46	*8* 12	722	643	782	604

Thirteenth	50	799	602	427	416	219	409	374	438	565	415	513	52	*8* 12	727	291	784	568
Fourteenth	455	381	670	403	417	221	421	369	454	604	665	521	56	*8* 12	730	640	787	595
Fifteenth	457	588	386	398	418	222	424	525	500	635	656	616	54	*8* 12	635	278	788	605
Sixteenth	460	470	603	721	422	228	439	501	597	671	360	624	456	*8* 12	636	636	789	634
Seventeenth	466	562	559	428	423	230	408	780	441	561	362	622	461	*8* 12	638	292	790	658
Eighteenth	458	801	370	462	426	243	442	773	368	321	424	517	509	*8* 12	640	562	792	666
Nineteenth	617	364	514	401	431	247	459	613	363	514	414	630	519	*8* 12	642	273	793	671
Twentieth	618	395	605	412	452	225	629	520	367	365	312	627	637	*8* 12	643	650	795	674
Twenty-first	3	446	298	307	309	518 251	313	449	444	300	386	564	32	*8* 12	638	585	650	487
Twenty-second	4	628	104	308	430	244	668	447	328	517	387	376	31	*8* 12	646	565	654	506
Twenty-third	5	647	656	563	329	239	443	450	330	643	388	492	30	*8* 12	641	286	798	655
Twenty-fourth	6	662	623	380	435	242	463	451	331	625	389	497	29	*8* 12	644	649	797	651
Sunday next before Advent	7	670	539	384	432	250	467	320	604	406	385	505	28	*8* 12	640	271 659	794	652
St. Andrew	328	289 611	186	209	631	236 547	211	379	589	186	185	320 613	614	*32*	412 186	285 294	773	664
Purification of B.V.M.	554	93	189	79	398	238 493	610	378	34 470	189 33	384	807	554	*26*	719	284	456	376

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Blessed Virgin Mary	554 210	192	191 210	398	807	494 249	491	86	145	192	*11*	470	384	*26*	733	281 319	751 525	383
Apostles or Evangelists	215 214	358 498	212 462	218	812 497	241 244	213	390	624 616	619	209	348 563	415	*32*	694	373	773 763	812
St. John the Baptist	*1*	63	67	60	196	242 518	806	73	529	67	806	209	*7*	*27*	599 605	293	529	630
Transfiguration	663	*2*	199	61	229	240 243	586	583	532 592	*28*	611	536	40	*28*	604	114	797	432
Embertide in September	*4*	505	264	353	594 596	592	586	591	321	265 313	588	589	31		723	266	419	139
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Memorials or Remembrance Day	378	516	632 810	70	316 621	251	614	429	379	315 633	305	425 809	625		644	318 321	666	622
Dedication	617 460	358 349	347	398	633 346	235 247	624 420	420 457	563 466	348	611 344	339	54	347 348	345 466	320 272	755	323 346

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